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*The Letter from the Archbishop to the Clergy.*

Good Brother,

Being by God's Providence call'd to a new Diocese, with the Circumstances whereof I am very much unacquainted, I shall hold myself extreamly oblig'd to You for your Assistance in the Administration of it. To render that move effectual, I send to you and the rest of my Clergy the following Paper of Questions; a clear and satisfactory return to which under the Hand of every several Minister and delivered to my Secretary, or the Register, at the Time of my Visitation, will make me much better acquainted with the Circumstances of this large Diocese, than I cou'd be by any other way, save that of a Parochial Visitation, which it is out of my power to take.

You will therefore be so good as to gratify my request herein, and as this is the only design of my sending these Enquiries to You, You may rest perfectly assured, that no other use shall be made of them, but for my own Information; and for that reason I will hope that You will deal very freely and plainly with me in your Answers to the several Questions.

To God's Favour and Blessing I heartily commend yourself, and your Labours in His Church, and remain,

Reverend Sir,

Your very affectionate Brother,  
Tho. Ebor.

Kensington,  
2, May 1743.

To the Minister of.....

in the Deanry of.....

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QUESTIONS.

- I. What Number of Families have you in your Parish? Of these, how many are Dissenters? And of what Sort are they?
- II. Have you any Licens'd or other Meeting House in your Parish? How many? Of what Sort? How often do they assemble? In what Numbers? Who teaches in them?
- III. Is there any public or Charity School, endow'd, or otherwise maintain'd in your Parish? What Number of Children are taught in it? And what Care is taken to instruct them in the Principles of the Christian Religion, according to the Doctrine of the Church of England; and to bring them duly to Church, as the Canon requires?
- IV. Is there in your Parish, any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment? Have any Lands or Tenements

been left for the Repair of your Church; or to any other pious Use? Who has the Direction of such Benefactions? How are they managed? Do you know, or have you heard of any Abuses or Frauds committed in the Management of them?

- V. Do you reside Personally upon your Cure, and in your Parsonage House? If not, where do you reside? And what is the Reason of your Non-Residence?
- VI. Have you a Residing Curate? Is he duly qualified according to the Canons in that Behalf? Does he live in your Parsonage House? What allowance do you make him?
- VII. Do you know of any who come to Church in your Parish that are not Baptized? Or that being Baptized, and of a competent Age, are not confirmed?
- VIII. How often is the public Service read in your Church? Is it duly perform'd twice every Lord's-Day? If not, how often, and at what Times is it perform'd? And how comes it not to be twice done, as the Act of Uniformity and Canons of the Church require?
- IX. How often and at what Times do you Catechise in your Church? Do your Parishioners duly send their Children and Servants who have not learned their Catechism, to be instructed by you?
- X. How often is the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administer'd in your Church? What Number of Communicants have you in your Parish? How many of them usually receive? Particularly, how many did communicate at Easter last?
- XI. Do you give open, and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administered? Do your Parishioners send in their Names to you as required? Have you refused the Sacrament to anyone? For what Reason? And how has the Person so refused behaved himself since that Time?

If you have met with any particular Difficulties in the Discharge of your Duty;

If you have observed any particular Defects in the present Canons or Discipline, of the Church;

If you have discover'd any Abuses or Corruptions in any Ecclesiastical Officers, or others concern'd in the Execution of the same;

If you have any Advices to give, or Proposals to make, by which the Glory of God, and the Honour and Interest of our establish'd Church may be promoted, or the Government of this Diocese be better ordered.

I desire you freely to communicate your Thoughts to me; and be assur'd, that a proper Use shall be made of your Suggestions, in order to the Attainment of the End propos'd by them.



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## ABBREVIATIONS.

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A.C.—Assistant Curate.	<i>Hor. Sat.</i> —Horace. <i>Satires</i> .
Add.—Additional.	Incorp.—Incorporated.
Adm.—Admitted.	Inst.—Instituted.
App.—Appointed.	Lect.—Lecturer.
B. and W.—Bath and Wells.	Lic.—Licensed.
Bk.—Book.	Lic. to pr.—Licensed to preach.
B.N.C.—Brasenose College.	Lich. and Cov.—Lichfield and Coventry.
C.—Curate.	Lit. Reg.—Litterae Regiae.
Cant.—Canterbury.	Magd.—Magdalen.
Ch. Ch.—Christ Church.	Matr.—Matriculated.
Ch. Coll.—Christ's College.	Migr.—Migrated.
Chan.—Chancellor.	N. & Q.—Notes and Queries.
Coll.—College or Collated.	Non. Res.—Non-Residence.
Com. Reg.—Comitia Regia.	P.—Priest.
Comm.—Commissary.	Patr.—Patron.
Cons.—Consecrated.	Preb.—Prebend or Prebendary.
Cr.—Created.	Prof.—Professor.
C.W.—Church Warden.	R.—Rector or Rectory.
D.—Deacon.	S.C.L.—Student of Civil Law.
D. and C.—Dean and Chapter.	S.S.—Surtees Society.
Dencd.—Denounced.	S. S. Coll.—Sidney Sussex College.
Dim.—Dimissory.	S.T.B.—Bachelor of Divinity.
Dio.—Diocese.	S.T.P.—Doctor of Divinity.
Disp.—Dispensed.	Scho.—Scholar.
D.N.B.—Dictionary of National Biography.	Seq.—Sequestrator.
Dom. Chpl.—Domestic Chaplain.	T.C.D.—Trinity College, Dublin.
Emm.—Emmanuel.	Tr.—Translated.
Excomd.—Excommunicated.	V.—Vicar or Vicarage.
Fell. Com.—Fellow Commoner.	Vic.-Chor.—Vicar Choral.
Gr. Sch.—Grammar School.	Y.A.J.—Yorkshire Archaeological Journal.



Volume D.

**1. Averham,  
Newark.**

- I. There are thirty Families in my Parish, and no dissenters of any kind whatever
- II. None.
- III. None.
- IV. None.
- V. I do not reside myself, having the honour of residing as Domestick Chaplain to H.R.H. the Princess of Orange in Frizeland.
- VI. I have a resident Curate, duly qualified according to the Canons in that behalf. I allow him annuallly thirty five Pounds.
- VII. No.
- VIII. The publick Service is perform'd twice every Lords Day, as the act of uniformity and Canons of the Church require.
- IX. My Parishoners duly send their Children and Servants to be Catechis'd during Lent. & to be instructed at other times by me or my Curate.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administerd five times at least yearly. The number of Communicants is generally forty. The Number at Easter last, was not more than twenty.
- XI. Open and timely warning is always given of the Sacrament, before it is administerd. The Parishoners send in their Names as required. The Sacrament was never refused by me or my Curate.

RICHARD SUTTON Rector of Averham.

Averham July 31—1743

R. RICHARD SUTTON. Inst. and lic. to pr. 4th June, 1734. D. Lincoln, 12th May, 1734; P. Lincoln, 19th May, 1734. Wadham Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1733; M.A., 1736. Resident Chaplain to H.R.H. Anne, Princess of Orange, eldest daughter of George II. Disp. by Abp. of Canterbury to hold also the Rectory of Boothby Grasse, Lincs., 21st May, 1740.

A.C. RICHARD NAISH. Approved, 8th May, 1738. (See *Hawton*).

C.W. : John Dodsley.  
Edward Smith.

**2. Attenborrow, [Attenborough.]  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are sixty one Families in Chilwell, sixteen in Attenborow, and Nineteen in Toton. Two Families in Chilwell Presbyterians. All Church-men in Attenborow. One Family of Presbyterians in Toton. One Master of a Family there is a Romanist but his Wife is a Church-Woman, & the Children are baptized by the Vicar and come to his Church.
- II. The Dissenters goe to their Meeting-Houses at Sandiacre, Nottingham and Ilkeston
- III. No Charity School at all.

- IV. Two Alms-Houses in Chilwell, Nothing but Coals given to them.
- V. See Bramcoate
- VI. [Blank]
- VII. [Blank]
- VIII. The Publick Service is at Attenborow in the Afternoon except in Lent and on Sacrament Days
- IX. I catechise at Attenborow every other year for five or six Sundays after Trinity when the Sermon is ended
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred at Attenborow three Times a year, that is to say on Easter Day Whitsunday and Christmas Day—coñonly there are above fortie Communicants at Easter. about Thirty on Whitsunday and twenty on Christmas Day.
- XI. Timely warning always given, No such Custom in this Country as sending in their Names.

V. BENJAMIN COCKAYNE. Inst., 19th March, 1711. D. Lich. and Cov., 19th Sept., 1708; P. Ely, 18th March, 1711. Jesus Coll. Camb. B.A., 1707. (See *Bramcote*).

C.W. : Thomas Martin  
Christopher Tebott.

### 3. Arnold, Nottingham.

- I. About 120 in all & abt 18 Families Presbyterians
- II. Only one Presbyterian. They assemble once a a (*sic*) fortnight, Their Teacher Mr Whitlock of Radford\*
- III. There is one School endow'd wth 7—10—0 Yearly by Will & forty shillings given at Pleasure Yearly by Mr Sherbrook of Oxton. No of Children taught between 20 & 30: The Master is Clark of the Meeting House; therefore no care taken to instruct 'em in the Principles of ye Ch: of England, nor does He take care to bring 'em to Church, very rarely coming Himself. There is also a very good House built by Contribution for ye Master wch in my Absence at Bath ye sd Clark of the Meeting was putt into Possession of & will not quitt.
- IV. No Hospital. There is a peice (*sic*) of Ground taken off the Coñon, Yearly Rent 10ll wch is apply'd towards Repairs of ye Ch: The School Salary is misapply'd & very much abus'd, in so much yt ye Trustees W. Newham & Robt Wilkinson told me, it shd be stop't till some Law Charges were paid off. I have taught one part of the School abt 3 Quarr purely upon Acct ye poor Children shd not lose wt Learning the (*sic*) had got, & wd gladly resign it, to One who shall be qualifi'd according to Canon. The present Master John Warwick is a very illiterate Man & Clark of ye

\* See Appendix B.



- Meeting & in my humb: Opinion, by no means a proper Person for a School Master.
- V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure
- VI. No Curate.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. Publick Service has been twice read every Lds. Day for above 20 years till very lately & yt occasion'd by my ill state of Heath (*sic*) having been oblig'd to go twice to ye Bath & hope if it please God to restore me, to serve it as usual.
- IX. I catechise in Lent & oftener
- X. At least 3 times & when my Health wd permitt 4 times of wch Easter is allways one. No of Coñunicants last Easter abt 40.
- XI. I allways give Warning the Sunday before. I have only refus'd ye Sacramt to one W. Walters wch is some Years ago, having good Grounds of his being perjur'd in a Law Suit
- (1) None yt I know of
- (2) None
- (3) None.

Wittness my hand

JOS. CHADWICK Vicar of Arnold in Nottingham Deanry.

Arnold July 1743o——

Arnold Sept. 19th. 1743

V. JOSEPH CHADWICK. Inst., 8th June, 1721. D. Oxford, 23rd May, 1714; P. Lincoln, 27th May, 1716. Univ. Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1713.

C.W. : Samuel Houseley.

William Francis.

#### 4. Annesley, Nottingham.

- I. In this Parish there are fifty one Families & only one Family of Protestant Dissenters—
- II. There is no Meeting House of any sort in this Parish—
- III. Here is no Charity or Publick School—
- IV. In this Parish there is no Alms House Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment.
- V. There is no Parsonage House to reside upon here & I reside at Lynby about two Miles from it.
- VI. I serve this Cure my self
- VII. I know of none that come to Church who are not baptized nor of any that are of Competent age that are not Confirmed—
- VIII. Publick Service is read in this Church once every Lords day one Sunday in the Morning & the next in the afternoon & the reason why 'tis not performd twice every Lords day is because I read Service every Sunday one part of the day at Lynby
- IX. I Catechise every Year in Lent & the Parishioners send their Children & Servants pretty Duly—



- X. The Sacrament is administerd here four times a year, the number of Communicants in this Parish is about 165 & near twenty of them usually recive (*sic*) & at Easter about thirty—
- XI. The Sunday before the Sacrament is administerd notice thereof is publickly given, but it is not the Custom of the Parishioners that intend to recieve (*sic*) to send their names beforehand nor did I ever refuse to give the Sacrament to any one—

I have nothing to offer to these Questions—I am My Lord  
Your Graces Most Dutifull & Most obedient Son & Servant

ANDREW MATTHEWS

C. ANDREW MATTHEWS. Adm., 11th Aug., 1726. (See *Nuthall* and *Lindby*).

C.W. : Joseph Barratt  
John Weightman.

## 5. Austerfield, Retford.

(Not written on the printed Form).

- Q. 1st. There are about Thirty, None of which are Dissenters
- 2d. There are no Meeting Houses—
- 3d. There are none.
- 4th. None—
- 5th. I do not reside, but Care is taken to have the Living supply'd by a Curate every other Sunday in the Afternoon, according to Custom; it being a Chapel of Ease to Blythe, and poorly endowd and within half a Mile of Bawtry another Chapel of Ease, which is servd twice every Sunday.—
- 6th. I have a Curate Who resides at Harworth, who performs Duty at both Places, for which I allow him Thirty Pounds a Year—
- 7th. None—
- 8th. See Answer to Q: 5th—
- 9th. The Children and Servants most of 'em attend, and are catechis'd every Lent when Service is perform'd—
- 10th. T'is once a Year administerd, viz. at Easter. There are about forty Communicants, about Twenty of which receiv'd last Easter.
- 11th. I give Open and timely Warning, the Parishioners neither do, nor ever us'd to send in their Names.—

I have Nothing to offer to Your Grace concerning the following Articles—

Sepr. ye 15th. 1743—

MATTHEW TOMLINSON Curate—

C. MATTHEW TOMLINSON. (See *Blythe*, *Bawtry*, *Harworth*, and *Sutton-on-Lound*).

A.C. THOMAS FELL. Lic. (to Blythe and Harworth) 19th Dec. 1740. (See *Harworth* and *Scrooby*).

C.W. : Thomas Briggs  
John Jepson.

**6. Askham,  
Retford.**

- I. About fourty—One of which are Roman Catholicks.
- II. We have no Meeting House.—
- III. We have no School.—
- IV. Yes, There is an Alms House. 2 There are no Lands left for the repair of the Church. 3 & 4. The Overseer's of the Poor gather the Rents for which they give an Acct, & I have heard of no Abuses.—
- V. Yes.—
- VI. [Blank]
- VII. No. None.
- VIII. Twice in three Sundays. one of them in the Morning & the other in the Afternoon—
- IX. Once a Year, & the Parishioners sent their Children duly.—
- X. 1 Three or Four times a Year, 2 About Seventy. 3 About thirty or fourty. 4 About fourty.
- XI. Yes,—2. The Parishioner's do not send in their Names.—  
3 I have refused none the Sacrament.

W. PALLISSER Curate.

C. WALTER PALLISER. (See *Great or East Drayton with Stokeham*).  
C.W. : Samuel Bullivant  
John West

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**7. Apesthorne,  
Retford.**

- I. 20 Families, none of wch are Dissenters.
- II. There is no Meeting House in ye Parish.
- III. There is no publick or Charity School.
- IV. There is no Alms House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowmt. No Lands have been left for ye Repair of ye Church. Abt 2 years ago Mrs Bryan of Retford left 40 Shillings a year to be disposed of by ye Church-warden in bread nine pence every Lord's Day & twelve pence every Michaelmas for ye poor yt come to ye Church. Wch Charity has hitherto been regularly managed, & no Abuse committed.
- V. I reside at South-Leverton abt a mile distant. There is no mansion-House, nor any Remains of one; nor can any body now living remember yt ever yre was one, so far as I can learn.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. No
- VIII. For Answer to ys & ye following Questions I shall beg leave to refer yr Grace to ye Answers I have given for North-Leverton. Ye Church at Apesthorne being in Ruins, ye people have time out of mind resorted to ye Church at North-Leverton for Divine Service; so yt Apesthorne &



North-Leverton are in effect but one Cure, though they be two distinct parishes.

IX. X. XI. [Blank]

THO. EDWARDS Curate.

C. THOMAS EDWARDS. Adm. by D. and C. of York, 7th Sept., 1742.  
(See *Leverton, North and South and Littleborough*).

C.W. : Alexander Sampson.

## 8. Barton in the Beans, Bingham.

- I. There are about one & thirty Families in this Parish; But one Dissenting, a Widow Woman & her Son; of the Sect commonly call'd Quakers: not legal Inhabitants.
- II. We have no meeting House of any Sort.
- III. There is no School in this Parish; But the Children are taught to read, to say their Catechism &c, in the Neighbouring Villages.
- IV. There is no Alms House, Hospital or Charitable Endowment in this Parish. There is Lands, to the Value of three pounds ten shillings p̄ Annum; which has been applied, for time immemorial, to the Churchwardens Rates. But by whom it was left or given, or how it came to be applied to that use, there is no Account to be met with now. It was particularly (*sic*) mention'd in the Church-wardens presentment at your Grace's Visitation at Nottingham. And I humbly submit it to your Graces wise consideration Whether it is not proper, That your Chancellour should require the Churchwardens, to return a Terrier thereof, to be deposited in your Registry.
- V. I reside upon my Cure, & live in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know of none who come to Church, that are not Baptizd: Nor of any, that are of competent age that are not confirm'd.
- VIII. I read the publick Service twice every Lords Day; And once every Holy-Day, except in the time of Harvest: And once every Wednesday & Fryday during the Season of Lent.
- IX. My Practice for some years past has been, To begin to Catechise the Children about Easter; And to continue to do so, t'ill the Short Days & Cold Weather, make it tiresome to the People.
- X. The Custom of this Parish, before I came to it, was to administer the Sacrament, five times every Year; And I continue to do so: viz: On Palm Sunday, Easter Day, Whitsunday, the Sunday after Michaelmass, & on Christmass Day. The Number of Communicants may be reck'ned two or three a Family. I have betwixt twenty & thirty, & sometimes forty Communicants. And to the best of my Remembrance, I had on Palm Sunday eighteen, & on Easter Day twenty eight Communicants.

XI. I give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament; by reading the Exhortations appointed: and more commonly the second. The Parishioners do not send in their Names as they are required by the Rubrick. I beg leave to observe; I never was at, or heard of any Place where this was required or practiced by any parish Minister (*sic*). I never refused any one the Sacrament.

I have not met with any Difficulty in the Discharge of my Duty; but such as by the Grace of God I have easily surmounted. I have not discover'd any particuler (*sic*) Defects in the Canons & Discipline of our Church. The Frame & Foundation is good, But the Iniquity & Licentiousness of Mankind, will not permit us to erect so fine & glorious a Superstructure, as it will bear, & was originally intended & design'd. I have not discovered any abuse in any ecclesiastical Officer. It would be a degree of Presumption in me, who am placed in so obscure a Station, that I can see or know little of the World, to offer any Advices to my Superiours. The best way, that I can promote the Honour & Glory of God, & the Interest of our establish'd Church, is, By observing the Laws, Canons, Rubricks & Discipline of it, as well as I am able: And by Obeying the Commands of my Superiours, whenever they are sent unto me.

JOS. MILNER Rector of Barton in Fabis.

R. JOSEPH MILNER. Inst., 26th Nov., 1720. D. Lond., 21st Dec., 1718; P. York, 11th Oct., 1719. St. Cath. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1716; M.A., 1720.

C.W. : Thomas Stevenson

William Wright.

The Abp. makes a note to ask for a Terrier of the Poor Lands here.

## 9. West Bridgford, Bingham.

- I. Fifty One two of which are Dissenters
- II. We have no Meeting House
- III. There is no School.
- IV. We have one yearly Charitable Endowment left to the Poor by Dame Frances Pierpoint who gave to the Chapter of Southwell the Annuity or yearly Rent of Thirty Pounds of lawfull Money of England to be paid to the said Chapter and their Successors for ever. In trust that the said Thirty Pounds shall be employed and distributed amongst Thirty of the most Poor aged Sick and indigent Persons of the Parishes of Holmpierpoint West Bridgford Cotgrave and Cuckney in the said County of Nottingham Scardecliffe\* in the County of Darby and the Towns of Southwell and East Redford in the County of Nottingham viz Ten Pounds to the Poor of Southwell Ten Pounds to the Poor of East Redford Five Pounds to the Poor of Holmpierpoint, Bridgeford

\* i.e., Scarcliffe.



and Cotgrave aforesaid which said Five Pounds hath time out of mind been distributed in this manner Twenty shillings to Holmepierpoint Forty shillings to Bridgford and Forty Shillings to Cotgrave untill the year 1740 when only twenty shillings hath been given to a poor Woman of Gameton in the Parish of Bridgeford by his Grace the Duke of Kingstons Steward.

- V. I reside in the Parsonage House
- VI. There is no Curate in this Parish.—
- VII. There are none that I know in this Parish who come to Church and are not Baptized nor any that being Baptized, and of a competent Age are not confirmed
- VIII. The Publick Service is duly performed twice every Lord day
- IX. I Catechise during the Time of Lent
- X. Four times in the year. There are about an hundred and fifty Communicants in the Parish and there are about Twenty that usually receive and at Easter some few more than that Number.
- XI. I always give Warning of the Sacrament the Sunday before it is administred. The Parishioners do not send in their Names as required. I have not refused the Sacrament to anyone in this Parish.

JOHN STOKES Rectr.

R. JOHN STOKES. Inst., 25th July, 1723. D. York, 2nd Nov., 1718; P. York, 4th June, 1721. Exeter Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1717; M.A., 1720.

C.W. : John Billings.  
Joseph Marriott.

## 10. Bingham, Bingham.

- I. We have about six score Families; no Dissenters but one Family of Quakers, and an Inmate of the Church of Rome.
- II. We have no Meeting House of any Sort.
- III. We have a School endow'd with half the interest of one hundred pounds. The number taught in it, is generally near twenty. proper Care is taken of their Instruction; and to bring them to Church.
- IV. There is no Charitable Endowment. no Lands belong to the Church. A Close of about 30 Shillings p year has been left to the poor; and 115£ to the same Use; The Profits are regularly distributed according to the Directions of the several Donors.
- V. The Rector has been held for many years with an uncommon Phrensy. He resides in his Parsonage House
- VI. I am the residing Curate and qualified according to the Canons; my Allowance is fifty pounds p year.
- VII. I know of no such.

- VIII. The publick Service is performed twice every Lord's Day, in the Morning of every Wednesday and Friday and on Holy-Days
- IX. I catechise constantly during Lent. The Parishioners duly send their Children; but not many their Servants
- X. This Sacrament is administered every Month. We have few that neglect the Sacrament. We have at a Medium about twenty five. The Number at the great Festivals seldom bigger than at other Times.
- XI. I always give proper Notice of the Sacrament. The Parishioners have not been hitherto accustomed to send in their Names. I have not had any reason for refusing the sacrament to any One.

RICHARD KIRKBY. Curate of Bingham

R. HENRY STANHOPE. Inst., 5th May, 1711. D. S. David's, 25th Feb., 1710; P. London, 27th April, 1711. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1707; B.A., 1709. Mr. Stanhope was a natural son of Philip, 2nd Earl of Chesterfield (1633-1713) and was brought up by his father. His somewhat extravagant way of living at Bingham annoyed his father who altered his will and left him little or nothing. The shock of this disappointment deranged Mr. Stanhope's mind and he never recovered. He remained Rector of Bingham, till his death in 1764. A tradition survives there that he always wore white breeches and rode about on a large white mule.\*

A.C. RICHARD KIRKBY. Approved, 20th August, 1738. D. Gloucester, 5th June, 1737; P. Gloucester, 28th May, 1738. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., (1st in Tripos.), 1734; M.A., 1746.

C.W. : Edward Hayne.

Richard Brooks.

# 11. Broughton Sulney, ——— Bingham.

- I. We have about Forty Families—only One Dissenter, who calls himself an Anabaptist.
- II. None.
- III. None.
- IV. None.
- V. I reside at Burton upon Trent in the County of Stafford wch. Living I am in Possession of and on Acct. of its being a much larger Cure I had Leave to reside there from the late ArchBp. and hope for the same Indulgence from Your Grace.
- VI. I have a Residing Curate who is Licensed to the Place & lives in the Parsonage House—I allow him 30£ p. Añ. & the Surplice-Fees, the Parsonage House & Garden, & a Piece of Grass Ground.
- VII. None
- VIII. The Publick Service is duly read twice every Ld's. Day & once on Holidays—Only one Sermon on Sundays wch is in the Morning.
- IX. The Children are regularly sent to Church, & Catechised every Sunday thro-out the Season of Lent.

\* Communicated by the present Rector, the Rev. R. H. M. Hutt, R.D.



- X. The Holy Sacramt. is administred three Times in the Year  
Viz: On Christmas Day, Easter Day, & on Whitsunday—  
We have about Sixty Coṃunicants & two Parts in three  
generally receive.
- XI. The Exhortation is always read the Sunday before the  
Sacramt. is administred—Not usual to send in their Names  
—None have been refused in my Time—
- Sept: 1st. 1743— J: DAWSON Rector of Broughton  
Sulney.

R. JOHN DAWSON. Inst., 2nd April, 1736. D. Ely, 21st Dec., 1729;  
P. Oxon., 20th Dec., 1730. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1728. Also V. of  
Burton-on-Trent, Stafis.

A.C. WRIGGAN WEBSTER. Approved, 4th May, 1738. P. Chester,  
27th June, 1718; B.N.C. Oxon. Matr., 6th April, 1709; B.A., 1712.

C.W. : John Brett  
Thomas Brett.

## 12. Bunney, Bingham.

- I. 1 Ninety Families. 2 Of which only one Presbyterian Family.
- II. None.
- III. There is a School founded by ye Late Lady Parkyns. 2. The  
Number of Children uncertain. 3. Due Care, they being  
instructed in ye Church Catechism thrice a Week.
- IV. There is an Alms House for four Widows. 2. There is 16£ a  
Year for ye Maintenance of ye School-master & ye Widows.  
3. Sr. Thos. Parkyns has ye Direction. 4. There is 14£ a Year  
paid to ye Schoolmaster, & 2£ to ye Widows. 5. I never  
heard of any Abuses.
- V. The Vicar resides
- VI. Answer'd in ye Quaeries concerning Ratcliff.
- VII. There are none of these former, but I'm afraid some of the  
Latter.
- VIII. Once every Lord's Day, ye Profits of ye Living not being a  
sufficient Maintenance alone.
- IX. On ye Sundays in Lent. 2 Most I think do.
- X. Four times in ye Year. 2 About 2 Hundred & Sixty. 3  
About Forty. 4 About Fifty.
- XI. Always on ye Sunday before. 2 That has been long un-  
observ'd. 3 There has been none refus'd.

I am not conscious of any Difficulties, Defects or Corruptions  
worth offering to your Lordship's Consideration, by, My Lord,  
Your Grace's most obedient

Son & Servt. ED: MOISES Junr.

V. THOMAS POYNTON. Inst., 8th Oct., 1714. D. Lich. and Cov., 8th  
June, 1707; P. Lich. and Cov., 30th May, 1708. Jesus Coll. Camb. B.A.,  
1706.

A.C. EDWARD MOISES. Jun. Lic., 26th June, 1740. D. S. Asaph, 23rd Dec., 1739; P. York, 20th May, 1744. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1738; B.A., 1738; Fellow, 1741; M.A., 1742. (See *Ratcliffe-on-Soar*). For his brother Hugh (1722-1806) Head Master of the Gr. Sch., Newcastle-on-Tyne, see *D.N.B.*, vol. xiii. p.

School Master. HUMFREY WAINWRIGHT. Lic. by Chancellor of York, 7th Sept., 1717.

C.W. : John Hoyles.

Richard Walker.

The Archbishop notes "Some persons here unbaptized."

### 13. Barnby [Barmby in the Willows], Newark.

- I. Twenty Three—No Dissenters.
- II. None
- III. None
- IV. None
- V. The Vicar does not reside his House is no better than a poor mean Cottage. he resides at his Rectory, which is Elson (*sic*) about six miles from Barmby. he had a Dispensation from ye late Archbishop for his non-Residence at Barmby.
- VI. The Curate does not reside, he is duly qualified. his allowance is eighteen Pounds per annum. the Vicarage is not above thirty.
- VII. I know not of any
- VIII. Publick Service is duly performed once every Lords day. the small allowance will not admit of any more attendance.
- IX. Catechising has been neglected for want of Time, but I will take all convenient opportunities to promote it for the future
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administered four Times in ye Year the number of Communicants is about fifty two or three & twenty usually receive, about eighteen last Easter, but some of ye principal Family were at London.
- XI. open & timely warning is given they do not send in their names they are an honest and orderly People, & are well instructed in ye Principles of the Christian Religion the Sacrament has not been refused to any

EDWD. BROUGHTON Curate

Newark July ye 16th. 1743—

V. GEORGE CHAPPELL. Inst., 31st Oct., 1718. D. Chester, 21st Sept., 1712; P. York, 25th Sept., 1715. Jesus Coll. Camb. B.A., 1711. Disp. by Abp. to hold Rectory of Elston, 11th Nov., 1732. (See *Elston Church* and *Thorpe-nigh-Newark*).

A.C. EDWARD BROUGHTON. (No date of licence). D. Ely, 19th Sept., 1708; P. Lincoln, 24th Sept., 1710. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1706; M.A., 1710. Incorp. at Oxon., 21st July, 1721.

C.W. : John Pimm

Jervas Vassey.

The Archbishop notes "Bad Catechising; better promised."

### 14. Balderton, Newark.

- I. about sixty, among wch. I have only one Quaker



- II. none of any sort
- III. None.
- IV. None.
- V. I reside at Newark upon account of my present ill state of health.
- VI. I have no Curate but do the duty of both Churches my self.
- VII. 1 None 2 Some few
- VIII. once every Lord's day, both at Balderton & Farndon, wch. are two separate Parishes, that have been always serv'd by one Minister upon account of their poverty.
- IX. 1 once every year  
2 They do
- X. four times every year, of wch. Easter is one, There are about an hundred persons of age to communicate But few above fifty receive at a time, ye same number, as far as I can remember did communicate at Easter Last.
- XI. I give notice the Sunday before, but ye Inhabitants send not in their names as requir'd. 2 None have ever offer'd ymselves as Communicants that were, I hbly conceive, disqualify'd according to ye Rubrick, so have rejected none.

V. WILLIAM BRODHURST. (See *Farndon*).

C.W. : Samuel Oldham  
Joseph Gibson

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**15. Bilborrow, [Bilborough.]  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are Seventeen Families in my Parish of Bilborow; The Master of One Family, a Single man, is a Presbyterian Dissenter.
- II. There is no Meeting-house of any Denomination.
- III. No School.
- IV. No Alms-house or Hospital. Dr. Robt. Gray a Physician, who lived at the Close of the last Century, gave to the Poor of the Parish of Bilborow Twenty pounds, to be placed out upon Security, & ye Interest arising therefrom, at St Thomas & Easter to be distributed by the Rector & Church Wardens to the Poor of Bilborow aforesaid. & whereas the Money in the year 1718 or thereabout, lay dead, & whereas the Parishioners wanted money to carry on the Repairs of the Church, They Agreed to apply the said Twenty pounds that way, & to pay to ye poor out of the Church Wardens Levy Ten shillings at St. Thomas, & Ten shillings at Easter, wch payments are duly made. No Benefactions to the Church.
- V. There are no Buildings of any kind belonging to ye Rectory of Bilborow, other than Church & Chancel. I constantly reside at Strelley, about half a mile distant from Bilborow.
- VI. I have No Curate.

- VII. There are None in Bilborow Unbaptized, as I know of. A person of Competent Age offered himself for Examination against yr Grace's Confirmation, but at the time appointed did not attend.
- VIII. The publick Service is performed on Some Holydays; & once every Sunday at Bilborow & once every Sunday at Strelley, & so alternately. The Smallness of their Incomes prevents a Constant Attendance. They are both under the same Patronage, & have immemorially gone thus togeather (*sic*).
- IX. I Catechize from Easter to Micmas, the Children mostly following me from Church to Church; Where I find the Parents negligent in sending their Children to be instructed, I call upon 'em, till I gain my point.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administered in my Church of Bilborow four times in the year; The Number of Communicants is about Twenty One; seventeen usually receive; Eighteen recd at Easter last.
- XI. I always give a Weeks notice at least of the Sacrament: The Parishioners do not send in their names as required. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

R. WILLIAM GOODDAY. Inst., 9th July, 1728. (See *Strelley*).

C.W. : John Hall.

*Ante-Nuptial Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. (his wife). They appeared, confessed, and performed Penance.

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16. [Bulwell,  
Nottingham].

(Not written on the printed Form).  
BULWELL RECTORY.

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- Art: 1st:—There is in the Parish of Bulwell Fifty nine Houses and seventy three Families. There is Only One Woman a Dissenter of the Presbyterian denomination.
- Art: 2d:—There is no Licens'd or other Meeting House in the Parish.
- Art: 3d:—There is a Free School with Four Acres of Land belonging to it, vallu'd yearly after the rate of Fifteen shillings by the Acre. Thomas Smith Master, who teaches between Twenty & thirty schollars and instructs 'em in the Principles of the Christian Religion according to the Doctrine of the Church of England.
- Art: 4th:—There is no Alms House or Hospital in the Parish, nor any Lands left for ye repair of the Church. There is a Close about Five or six Acres, left to ye Church of Bulwell by one John Darns for the Preaching of nine Lecture Sermons the last Tuesday in every Month (except July, August, and November) which has been duly perform'd when the Parishioners wou'd attend, But upon their neglect therein, has of late been laid aside.



Art: 5th: I have not of late Personally resided upon the Cure, but at Nottingham—The Parsonage House is mean, The Scituation Damp and low, and not being able to perform the Duty my self being only prop'd by Physick, His Late Grace of York was pleased to grant me a Dispensation, which Favour I hope your Grace will likewise please to grant me.

Art 6th:—Bulwell & Basford being only a mile distant, and the Benefices very small, have usually been held together. There is a Curate who came at Lady Day last & apply'd for a Licence at Your Graces Visitation. His Allowance is Thirty pounds a year and Surpliss (*sic*) Fees. He resides at Basford.

Art: 7th:—There are nine Children which have had private Baptism, and not yet brought to the Church to be received into the Number of Christs Flock and to be sign'd with the sign of the Cross. I have used what means I can to prevail with 'em; They promise, but do not perform.

Art: 8th: There is Publick Service & a Sermon duly perform'd every Sunday; when at Bulwell in the Morning, then, at Basford in the Afternoon; And when at Basford in the Morning then at Bulwell in the Afternoon.

Art: 9th: In the Season of Lent it is only usuall for the Parishioners to send their Children and Servants to be Catechis'd and instructed therein; But for the Future will be call'd upon oftner.

Art: 10th: The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred Three times in the Year. There are in the Parish of Age to Communicate a Hundred and Ninety three There were Thirteen Communicants at Christmas, Fourteen at Easter last, and seventeen at Whitsontide last.

Art: 11th: There is always notice given the Sunday before the Sacrament is to be Administred. It has not been required of the Parishioners to send in their Names. I never refused the Sacrament to any one in the Parish of Bulwell.— —

These are faithfull and plain answers to the abovemention'd Articles, and sign'd by Your Graces Dutifull & Obedient Humble Servant—

THOMAS BEAUMONT, Rector of Bulwell and Vicar of  
Nott: July the 8th: 1743 Basford.

R. THOMAS BEAUMONT. Inst., 17th Nov., 1729. D. Lincoln, 26th Feb., 1726; P. Lincoln, 22nd Dec., 1728. Queens' Coll. Camb. B.A., 1721; M.A., 1726. (See *Basford*).

A.C. THOMAS CLARKE. (See *Basford*).

C.W. : William Sissons  
James Holland.

The Archbishop notes "Tuesday Lecture dropt here for want of a Congregation."

## 17. Burton Joyce with Bulcoat, [Bulcote.] Nottingham.

I. In Burton 32 Families; In Bulcote 21. There is one Family

professes Anabaptism, as it is vulgarly called & 2 Families, Presbyterianism. Most of the rest are inclined that way (there having been, not long since, a Meeting House now unfrequented by reason of the Death of the chief Encourager) but come to Church now.

- II. No.
- III. There are only 2 Petty Schools, with perhaps 5 or 6 Scholars apiece. The one has the foresaid Anabaptist for the Teacher, the other a Dame whom I have advised to teach the Children ye Chu: Catechism.
- IV. No.
- V. Yes.
- VI. I being a Valetudinarian, hire the Curate of a Neighbouring Parish to assist me at my other Church during the winter quarter only.
- VII. There are sev'rall of a competent age who are not confirm'd, Tho' I exhorted them to come to me to be instructed in ye nature of it before this last confirmation, but they refused to come.
- VIII. Yes.
- IX. I Catechise from Michaelmas till Easter ev'ry year. But sev'rall are too negligent in sending their Children, but no Servants do, or can be pr'vail'd upon to come.
- X. I administer the foresaid Sacramt. 4 times in ye year viz. Easter Whitsuntide, Michaelmas & Christmas. There are sev'ral of age to communicate, but seldom above 15 do at a time about wch. number did receive at Easter last.
- XI. Yes. It has been long disused, I may say ante hominum memoriam to send in their names in all the Country round about.

None but wt. is common to all Clergymen in all ages of ye Church.

No.

No.

No.

The present Spiritual Court in this Arch-Deaconry has now as reputable & commendable Officers, as I have ever known in this, or any other, or at any time.

May it please yr Grace!

Burton-Joyce

Yr most obedient humble Servt.

Sept. 3d. 1743.

J. SAUNDERS.

V. JOHN SAUNDERS. Inst., 10th Sept., 1719. D. York, 27th May, 1711; P. Lich. and Cov., 21st Sept., 1712. Jesus Coll. Camb. LL.B. (from Trinity Hall), 1712.

C.W. : William Holmes  
Benjamin Blatherwick.

# 18. Beeston, Nottingham.

- I. Sixty most of them mongrells that sometimes come to Church



and sometimes to the presbyterian or independant Meeting do go.

- II. None
- III. No
- IV. None
- V. Yes
- VI. No Curate
- VII. No
- VIII. twice a day preaching in the forenoon and prayers in the afternoon
- IX. in Lent & at other times when opportunitie serves
- X. four times in the year. viz. Easter, Whitsunday, St Michael, and at Christmas
- XI. Yes

THO: TROWELL Vicar

V. THOMAS TROWELL. Inst., 23rd Dec., 1711. D. York, 3rd June, 1705; P. York, 23rd Dec., 1711. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1698.  
C.W. : Joseph Holland  
Thomas Cross.

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**19. Basford,  
Nottingham.**

(Not written on the printed Form).  
BASFORD VICARAGE

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- Art: 1st:—There are in Basford Parish; Houses, a Hundred and One; Families, a Hundred and Five. There are One old man and his Wife of the Presbyterian denomination, But their Children come to the Church. There is another Family, and Two Women who have gone to the Anabaptist Meeting, since those Vagrant Preachers have stroll'd about.
- Art: 2d:—There is no Licens'd or other Meeting House in the Parish.
- Art: 3d:—There is no publick or Charity School endow'd, or otherwise maintain'd in the Parish.
- Art: 4th:—There is not any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment Or any Lands or Tenements left for the Repair of the Church.
- Art: 5th:—There is no Parsonage House or other Building, nor has been in my Time. I do not reside in the Parish, but at Nottingham wch. is a Mile distant. I have been of late in such a bad state of Health, that I have not been able to do the Duty: neither am I at present, being only prop'd by Physick; His Late Grace of York was pleased to grant me a Dispensatiō which Favour I hope Your Grace will likewise please to grant me.
- Art: 6th:—I have a Resident Curate at Basford, who came at Lady day last, and apply'd for a Licence at Your Graces Visitation. His allowance is Thirty pounds a year and Surpliss Fees.

Art: 7th:—I do not know of any who come to the Church that are not baptized, Or, that are baptized, and of a Competent Age, but who are Confirmed.

Art: 8th:—There is publick Service and a Sermon duly perform'd every Sunday.—Basford and Bulwell being both very small Benefices, have usually gone together, And the Service is perform'd Alternately at Both Churches every Sunday. When at Basford in the Morning, then at Bulwell in the Afternoon, and when at Bulwell in the Morning; then at Basford in the Afternoon.

Art: 9th:—In the Lent Season, it is only usuall for the Parishioners to send their Children and Servants to be Catechised and instructed therein; But for the Future, they will be call'd upon oftner.

Art: 10th:—The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred in the Church Three times in the year. There are in the Parish of Age to Coñunicate Two hundred & Fifty. There were Forty six Coñunicants at Christmas last; Thirty six at Easter last; and Thirty three at Whitsontide last.

Art: 11th:—There is always notice given the Sunday before the Sacrament is to be administred. It has not been requir'd of the Parishioners to send in their Names. I never refused the Sacrament but to one Gentlewoman who would have received with her Brother whom I visited when sick; The reason was; She had absented a long time from the Church, and wou'd never give me any sufficient or satisfactory reason for so doing; She afterwards came to the Church and behaved very well; But is lately removed into another part of the Country.

If a Table of Fees was put up in every place where the Ecclesiastical Court is kept, it might be a means to prevent abuses or Corruptions.

V. THOMAS BEAUMONT. Inst., 3rd Feb., 1740. (See *Bulwell*).

A.C. THOMAS CLARKE. D. Exeter, 27th Feb., 1742. (See *Bulwell*).

C.W. : Henry Adams

John Beardlsey.

## 20. Bramcoat, [Bramcote.] Nottingham.

- I. Twenty Nine of which four are Dissenters that call themselves Presbyterians. The Master of another Family professeth himself a Dutiful Son of the Church of Rome and is a Man of Credit, his Wife is a Church Woman.
- II. the Dissenters goe to their Meetin-Houses (*sic*) at Sandiacre, Nottingham, and Ilkeston
- III. No School at all.
- IV. None in this Town.
- V. I reside constantly at Bramcoate in my new built Cottage-House,



- VI. [Blank]
- VII. [Blank]
- VIII. The publick Service is at Bramcoate in the Morning and at Attenborow in the Afternoon except in Lent & on Sacrament Days Prayers every Holy-day and on Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent at Bramcoate.
- IX. I Catechise at Bramcoate every other Year for five or six Sundays after Trinity after my return from Attenborow.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred three Times a year, that is to say, the Sunday following Easter Whitsontide and Christmas-Day—coñonly there are six Coñunicants at Easter five or four at Whitsontide and Christmas.
- XI. Timely warning always given, no such Custom in this Country as sending in their Names.

C. BENJAMIN COCKAYNE. (See *Attenborough*).

C.W. : John Cox  
John Wells (Gent.)

21. [Bilsthorp,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it please Your Grace,

These answers come from a just Esteem as well as in Duty.

To Q. 1. About twenty Families, & no Dissenters.

- 2. Here is no Meeting-house.
- 3. Here is no publick or Charity-School.
- 4. Here is no Alms-House, or Hospital; only a small Parcel of Land for ye Repair of ye Church, wch was Leas'd out for 99 years (to raise Money towards Rebuilding ye Steeple) in 1663. Also, here is ye use of £5 : 0s : 0d. for Bread to ye Poor at Xtmas.
- 5. I reside personally, & in ye Parsonage-house.
- 6. I have no Curate.
- 7. I do not know of any unbaptiz'd Person in my Parish, & ye young ones of competent Age are all, I think, Confirm'd.
- 8. Publick Service is Read twice every Lord's-Day, & once on Feasts & Fasts, if a fitting number of People attend.
- 9. I Catechise & explain yearly in Lent, but ye Parishioners are too slack in sending their Children, & especially their Servants.
- 10. The Lord's Supper is administer'd 4 times a year: Coñunicants between 60 & 70. About 40 usually Receive, rather more at Easter.
- 11. I always give warning of ye Sacrament according to ye Rubrick; but ye People have not been us'd to send their Name. I never refus'd any one yt offer'd Him or Herself.

I shall only presume to add in Regard to ye Remainder of Your Grace's Letter yt I heartily wish (as in ye Service for Ash-Wednesday) a well regulated Discipline might be restor'd to our Holy Mother, as in ye Primitive Church.

Your Grace's very obedient, humble, Servant

RICD. BERKS.

Bilsthorp, near Southwell, in Retford-Deanry. where I have thought many years of a Prebend. Septr, ye 4th, 1743.

R. RICHARD BERKS. Inst., 26th Jan., 1714. D. Chester, 15th June, 1701; P. Lich. and Cov., 23rd May, 1703. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1699. B.A., 1700; M.A., 1704. Incorp. at Oxon. 1704.

C.W. : John Renolds  
John Buckloe.

## 22. Bothamsall, Retford.

- I. There are twenty eight ffamilies in my Parish: not any of 'em Dissenters that I know of—
- II. I have not any Licens'd or other meeting House in my Parish
- III. There is not any Publick or Charity School endow'd or otherwise maintain'd in my Parish—
- IV. There is not in my Parish any Alms House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowment: nor have any Lands or Tenemts been left for ye Repair of our Church, or to any other pious Use, yt I know of—
- V. I do not reside here but at Kirkton—
- VI. I am only Curate here to ye Duke of Newcastle, he allows only twenty pound p Añ—
- VII. I do not know of any in my Parish who come to Church yt are not Baptiz'd: or that being Baptized & of a competent age are not confirm'd—
- VIII. The Publick Service is perform'd every Lords Day in ye afternoon, except ye last Sunday in ye Month, & then it is perform'd in ye morning & at Kirkton in ye afternoon—
- IX. I instruct all ye young people yt I can get yt are of a Competent Age both before they receive Confirmation & ye Sacramt in ye Church Catechism—
- X. The Sacramt. of ye Lords Supper is administred in my church three times in a year—There are abt Sixty four coñunicable Persons in my Parish: abt fourteen usually receive, but not above twelve last Easter—
- XI. I always give open & timely warning of the Sacramt. before it is Administred—My Parishioners do not send in their names to me as required—I have not refused the Sacramt to any one.—

WM BOAWRE Curate of Bothamsall.

C. WILLIAM BOAWRE. Adm., 21st Sept., 1726. D. York, 21st Dec., 1701; P. Lincoln, 20th Sept., 1702. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho., 1696; B.A., 1699. (See *Kirkton*).

C.W. : William Wood  
Edward Winch,



**23. [Blythe,  
Retford.]**

(Not written on the printed Form).

- Q. 1st. There are about two Hundred Families, Eighteen of which are Dissenters, viz, Eight Popish, Eight Quaker, One Anabaptist, One Independant—
- 2d. There is as reported, a Popish Chapel wherein Mass is perform'd.<sup>1</sup> One Quakers<sup>2</sup> meeting House, & One Anabaptists,<sup>2</sup> in each of which Service is performd every Sunday.
- 3d. There is an English School endowd with five Pounds a Year; there are ten Children taught upon the Foundation; and all proper Care is taken of their Education, especially in the Particulars enquir'd after.
- 4th. There are two Hospitals in Blythe, One endow'd with ten Pounds a Year, for the Maintenance of two poor Widows, One a Church Woman, the other a Quaker. It having been built by a Quaker. The other endow'd with about £200 Pounds a Year, which is equally divided amongst five Widowers or Widows, having each a Tenement to live in and a Load of Coals allow'd them. Both are under the Direction of the Parish Officers and I believe the Appointments are duly apply'd—There are several Houses and Lands left towards repairing the Church, and there is one Pound Eight Shillings Orderd to be given to the Poor of the Parish annually, viz, two shillings & four pence Pr Month in Bread. which Benefactions are apply'd as directed; Mrs Hiron the late Vicars Widow gave a House valued at upwards of an Hundred Pounds, and an Hundred Pounds in Money, to procure the Queen's Bounty, which accordingly has been procur'd, and the Money laid out in a Purchase.
- 5th. When I came to Blythe there was no House belonging to the Living, there was since One given towards procuring the Queen's Bounty, but being settled in Another before that Time, I cou'd not conveniently remove; but take Care to keep the House yt was given in good Repair.—
- 6th. I have no Curate.
- 7th. I know of none who come who are not Baptized, and very few but who are confirm'd—
- 8th. I perform Service every Sunday in the Forenoon, & most Holydays. In the Afternoon, I serve another Cure, viz, Sutton.
- 9th. I catechise five or Six Sundays in the Year, and very often on the Week Day, and most of the Children and Servants attend.
- 10th. The Sacrament is administer'd Six or Seven Times a Year. We have about four Hundred Communicants, Two Hundred of which or thereabouts communicated last Easter.

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix A. The R.C. Chapel was at Hodsock Park.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix C.

11th. I give open and timely warning, the Parishioners neither do nor ever us'd to send in their Names. I have not refusd the Sacrament to any One—

I have Nothing to offer to Your Grace concerning the following Articles.

MATTHEW TOMLINSON

Sepr. ye 15th. 1743.

Vicar of Blythe—

V. MATTHEW TOMLINSON. Inst. and lic. to pr., 14th May, 1731. D. Lincoln, 5th March, 1726; P. London, 1st June, 1729. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1726; B.A., 1726; M.A., 1730. Disp. to hold V. Harworth by Abp. of Canterbury, 23rd May, 1739. (See *Austerfield, Bawtry, Harworth and Sutton-on-Lound*).

C.W. : Robert Billiard  
Francis Butler  
Thomas Ellard  
Gilbert Scott.

The Archbishop notes "One of the Ch-Wardens a Quaker."

#### 24. Babworth, Retford.

- I. There are in the Parish of Babworth twenty five Families including Cottages, Two Persons are of the Romish Perswasion.
- II. There is no licens'd, nor any Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. There is no Publick, nor any Charity School in the Parish.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, nor any charitable Endowment of any Kind; we have ten Pounds left for ye Use of the Poor, the Interest of which is duly applyd.
- V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure, and in the Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate. I do intend, while it shall please God to enable me, to perform the whole Duty my self.
- VII. I don't know of any who come to Church that are unbaptized, nor any of competent Age, that are not confirmed.—
- VIII. Publick Service is read twice every Lords Day Morning & Evening & once every Holy Day. Only at present I have engaged for a few Weeks to officiate for a Neighbouring Clergiman (*sic*)\* one part of each Lords Day, & I beg Your Graces Leave, afterward I shall continue to perform full Duty in my own Parish.
- IX. The few Children of this Parish are Young & not duly qualified to give a publick account of their Faith,—I do purpose in due time to take account of them, & yearly from Lent to Whitsontide to instruct them publickly in the Church Catechism.—
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administerd four times every Year—; There are about Sixty five Communicants, of which Number betwixt twenty & thirty usually communicate. I believe there were above twenty ye last Easter.

\* See *Ordsall*.



- XI. I do give open & timely Warning every Sabbath Day before the Sacrament be administerd. it hath not been usual to require them to give in their Names; I have not had Occasion to refuse the Sacrament to any one.

I have not met with any uncommon Difficulties in the Discharge of my Duty, I have no Objection in Relation to the Canons and Discipline of the Church, nor any Complaint against Ecclesiastical Officers.

THOMAS HEALD

September—10th 1743.

Minister of Babworth

R. THOMAS HEALD. Inst., 15th July, 1743. D. York, 25th Sept., 1720; P. York, 9th June, 1723. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho., 1716; B.A., 1719.

At the Visitation on 1st June, 1743, JOHN SIMPSON exhibited as Rector. Inst. and lic. to pr., 19th Jan., 1727. D. Ely, 1st Jan., 1724; P. Ely, 6th Jan., 1724. Ch. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1718; B.A., 1720; M.A., 1724; Fellow, 1725-8.

C.W. : George Morton  
Thomas Cuttle.

## 25. Bole, Retford.

- I. In the Parish of Bole are thirty five families in which are 88 Communicants; 15 above the age of nine Years & unconfirmed; & 29 Under the age of nine Years, & amongst these one Family of Dissenters of the Presbyterian Communion/  
Charles Henchman Vicar
- II. We have not any—
- III. We have no School in ye Parish
- IV. There is Nothing in our Parish, yt is enquir'd after in this Article—
- V. The place of my Residence is at Chester having been sometime called to a Minor-Canonry in that Cathedral, & have a Licence for my Non Residence from the Dean & Chapter of St Peter's in York  
Charles Henchman
- VI. My Curate, Resides in the Parish of North Wheatley; which Place He officiates in as Curate along with this & has a joynt Licence for the same from His Late Grace, & I look upon Him to be duly qualified according to ye Canons; & I allow Him 18 pounds yearly for ye same  
Charles Henchman Vicar
- VII. I don't know of any.
- VIII. The Service of this Church has been beyond the memory of Man always performed alternately with some other Church of small value & is now in that manner served with North Wheatley aforesaid  
Charles Henchman Vicar
- IX. According to ye Custom of this Place I catechise on Wednesdays & Frydays throughout Lent; & don't discover any Neglect of Duty in ye Parishioners relating to this Enquiry—  
T. Mottershaw Curate
- X. The Sacramt. of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd in our



Church 4 Times in ye Year. We have in ye Parish 88 Communicants, & to ye best of my Knowledge upwards of 30 did communicate at Easter last— —

- XI. Open & timely Warning of ye Sacramt is given before 'tis administred, But it has never been customary here for ye Parishioners to send in their Names as requir'd. I have never had Reason to deny ye Sacramt. to any one.— — —

T. MOTTERSHAW Curate at Bole——

V. CHARLES HENCHMAN. Inst. by D. and C. of York, 6th Dec., 1731. Disp. for Non-Residence by the same D. and C., 6th Dec., 1731. (See *Stanton-on-the-Wolds*).

A.C. THOMAS MOTTERSHAW. Allowed, 23rd Feb., 1739. (See *North Wheatley*).

C.W. : Old. Thomas Marriott  
New. William Steadman

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26. [Bleasby,  
Southwell (Peculiar).]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it please Yr. Grace

In Duty & Obedience to yr. Graces Request, I offer my Answer to the Questions delivered to us, at your Graces last Visitation at Newark; vizt. 1st. The Number of Families in the parish of Bleasby, in the peculiar of Southwell are 38; We have no Dissenters; nor 2dly. any meeting House; neither 3dly. any School endowed; Sometimes a person comes and teaches a Short Time, but is soon forced to leave for want of Encouragemt.

4thly. We have no Alms-House or Hospitall, nor any Thing left for the Repairs of our Church; Twenty Shillings a Year is given by Will, fixed upon some Lands in the Parish, for poor Widows, which is distributed duly without Fraud.

5thly. I do not reside on my Vicarage, on Account of my being Master of the Grammar School at Southwell two Miles distant therefrom:

6thly. I perform all Divine Offices there my[self] 7thly. There are none that I know of, that come to the Church [but] who are Baptized, and the Youth have been all confirmed who are of competent Age.

8thly. I perform Publick Service once every Sunday, taking the Morning & the Afternoon alternatively; the Vicarage is Small, about 20 pounds a Year and Sometimes not So much: 9thly. I Catechize Severall Times every Lent: 10thly: I Administer the Sacrament 4 Times every Year; the Communicants are about 70; about 20 receive at a Time more or less; there were near 20 that received last Easter. 11thly: I give Notice of the Sacrament always the Sunday before; the parishioners are regular and I have refused none; It is not customary with us to give in their Names. I shall always endeavour to promote the Glory of God, and the Interest of the Established Church, I am

your Graces most Obedient Son and Servt. in Christ

HENRY BUGG Vicr: of Bleasby

Southwell Augt. the 30th. 1743.

V. HENRY BUGG. Coll. by Chapter of Southwell, 10th Dec., 1730. D. Peterborough, 22nd Sept., 1728; P. London, 21st Sept., 1729. Lic. School Master at Southwell by Chapter, 23rd July, 1730. At his Priest's ordination, no College or Degree is given. (Reg. London). (See *Kneeton*).

C.W. : William Wilson

John Wright.

**27. Beckingham,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. Eighty eight families, no Dissenters
- II. No meeting-house
- III. We have provision made for the teaching of five children who are Carefully taught, instructed in ye Principles of ye Xtian Religion, according to ye Doctrine of our Church, where they duly attend as ye Canon requires
- IV. No Alms-house or Hospital, forty shillings a year towards ye Maintainance (*sic*) of two Widowers or Widows, five shillings for five poor Widows, three pounds for ye poor of ye Parish in general, fifty shillings for the Clothing of ye five Children above, nothing for ye repairs of ye Church &c the Minister Churchwardens & overseers of ye poor have ye directions of all these Charities, which are all Managed according as ye Several wills direct—
- V. I personally Reside upon my Cure, & in my Vicarage house—
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I know of none
- VIII. once every Sunday two Sunday's in the Morning the third in the afternoon
- IX. I Catechise during the time of lent where the Children in my Parish do generally attend, but the Servants generally neglect it
- X. five times in ye year, about one hundred and Sixty Communicants, about fifty generally receive & at both our Sacraments at Easter about ninety
- XI. I constantly give notice the Sunday before, Sending in their names is quite disused amongst us, as yet I have not refused the Sacrament to any one

I am My Lord Your Graces most obedient humble Servant  
THO: RICHARDSON Vicar

V. THOMAS RICHARDSON. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 7th March, 1727. (See *South Wheatley*, and *Misterton*).

C.W. : John Medley  
John Burton

**28. Blidworth,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. The Number of families is about forty, eight of which are



Dissenters, I know not whether Presbuterians (*sic*) or Independants,\* for they have Presbuterian & Independant teachers almost alternately.

- II. There is a Meeting House in ye Parish but as ye Endowment is small (about forty shillings a Year) & ye Dissenters of ye Meaner Sort, they do not assemble above once in Six or eight Weeks & then in no great Numbers.
- III. There is no Charity School in ye Parish.
- IV. There is neither Alms House, Hospital or other Charitable endowment. nor have any Lands or Tenements been Left for ye Repair of ye Church, &c.
- V. I personally reside upon my Cure & in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. Before I came to ye Parish it was become customary to have children privately baptized, & never bring them afterwards to be received in ye Church: But I have perswaded them all, except two, to comply with ye Directions in ye Rubric. There are three or four unconfirmed, that came too Late when Your Grace was at Nottingham.
- VIII. Publick Service is performed but once every Lords-Day the Living is but very small, &, without ye Curacy of Papelwick, which I also supply, not a Sufficient Maintenance.
- IX. The common Times of Catechising are ye Sundays in Lent, when the Parishioners duly send their Children to be instructed
- X. The Sacrament is always Administered four Times a Year. the Number of Communicants is about Sixty four, &, as I remember, twelve or thirteen Communicated at ye last Sacrament: I do not know what Number Communicated at Easter, for I was then Curate to the late Mr Berdmore at Nottingham.
- XI. I always give open & timely warning of the Sacrament but the Parishioners never give in their Names as required. I have never had Reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any one.

Answer. I have never met with any Difficulty in the Discharge of my Duty. I don't know of any abuses &c in ye Ecclesiastical Officers. I never observed any Defects in ye Canons or Discipline of ye Church.

V. ROBERT STANLEY. Inst. by the Chapter of Southwell, 19th Aug., 1740. (See *Papplewick* and *S. Mary's, Nottingham*).

C.W. : Ralph Lee.

Thomas Hainsworth.

## 29. Cortlingstock [Costock], Nottingham.

- I. There are 31 Families in ys Parish, one of them dissenters of ye Independent perswasion and one other single Person of ye same

\* See Appendix B.



- II. None
- III. The poor children are taught to read and ye Church Catechism and brought duly to Church there is no School endowd, but maintaind by ye Minister
- IV. No Charitable endowment but about 8l pr An: given to put out children apprentices from Bradmore Bunny and Costock This Benefaction directed by ye late Sir Thomas Parkyns given by his Maiden sister Mrs Ann Parkyns. N:B at present mismanagd.
- V. I have a dispensation to hold Wilford wth Costock. I reside for ye most part at Wilford I often officiate at Costock being but 5 miles distant from Wilford.
- VI. I Allow a qualify'd Curate thirty pound pr An: and surplice dues, who Resides in the Parsonage-House.
- VII. I know not any unbaptiz'd Person who come to Church, or any of a Competent Age who are not confirmd Except dissenters.
- VIII. Publick Service is duly read in this Church twice every Lords Day, and once on Holy Days and on Wednesdays and fridays in Lent.
- IX. Children and Younger servants are catechisd six mounths (*sic*) in the Year at church.
- X. The sacrament of ye Lords supper is administerd 4 times every year at ye 3 great Festivals and Michaelmas, about fifty receivd last Easter wch is ye Usual Number. XX\*
- XI. Timely warning is given before ye sacrament is administerd, The Parishioners do not send in their Names being all well known to ye Minister.

\* XX N:B: Once at Easter I had above eighty Communicants out of 28 Familys at ye Church, all but one properly Parishioners.

R. JOHN WOODS. Inst., 12th June, 1708. Appointed Sequestrator by Chanc. of York, 25th June, 1708. Disp. to hold this benefice with Wilford by Abp. of Cant., 30th Ap., 1733. (See *Wilford*).

A.C. SAMUEL ROBERTS. D. Lincoln, 24th Sept., 1732; P. Lincoln, 23rd Sept., 1733. Ch. Ch. Oxon. B.A., 1732.

C.W. : Thomas Wilmott  
Robert Whitehead

The Archbishop notes "£8 per ann. left by Sir Thos. Parkyns for apprenticing Children is now mismanaged by his sister, Mrs. Ann Parkyns."

### 30. [Clifton, Bingham].

(Not written on the printed Form).

Answers to the Questions, put, by the most Reverend Father in God Thomas Lord Arch-Bishop of York, to

WILLIAM CLIFTON { Curate of Clifton  
                                  { in the Deary (*sic*) of Bingham.

- 1st. We have Sixty five Families in the Parish; of these Nine are reputed Papists;\* but there are no Dissenters of any other Sort.

\* See Appendix A.

2. We have no Meeting House in our Parish.
3. We have no Charity School in the Parish.
4. There is an Alms House in the Parish; but Sr. Robert Clifton having the sole Direction of it, and there being no Writings in the Church Chest that relate to this Benefaction, I cannot inform my self whether or no it be managed according to the Intent of the Founder.
5. Doctor Standfast, the Rector of this Parish, resides at Bath, on account of a Stroak of the Palsey.
6. I am the Residing Curate. I was licenced by the late Archbishop of York. I live in the Parsonage House; and am allowed Thirty Pounds a Year.
7. I know of none who come to Church that are not baptized.
8. Publick Service is duly performed twice every Lord's Day at my Church; and there is Mornng: Prayer every Wednesday and Friday during the Forty Days of Lent.
9. I catechise in my Church during Lent; And my Parishioners are very regular in sending their Children and Servants to be instructed by me.
10. The Sacrament is administered four Times in the Year in my Church. We have about a Hundred and Twenty Communicants, and between Forty and Fifty usually receive; there were Forty five that did communicate at Easter last.
11. I always give warning for the Celebration of the Sacrament upon the Sunday immediately preceding, according to the Rubrick. The Parishioners do not send in their Names. And I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

Clifton 12th. September 1743.

R. WILLIAM STANDFAST. Adm. and inst., 16th Nov., 1721. D. Oxon., 1st March, 1712; P. Oxon., 31st March, 1713. Univ. Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1701; Incorp. at Camb. M.A., 1705; M.B., 1707; M.D., 1729 (these last three degrees all at Cambridge).

A.C. WILLIAM CLIFTON. Lic. 5th August, 1742. D. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1738; P. Lincoln, 1st June, 1740. Balliol Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1733.

C.W. : Thomas Lambert

John Case.

*Ante-Nuptial Fornication*.—A.B. Junr. and C.D. his wife. They "performed a Declaration," i.e. did public penance.

The Archbishop notes "Question as to Management of the Almshouse under the direction of Sir Robt. Clifton."

### 31. [Colston-Basset, Bingham.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

The Answers of Thos Rose, Vicar of Colston-Basset, in the Deanry of Bingham [&c]

- 1 There are twenty eight Families in my Parish. Of these four are Dissenters. Two families of Anabaptists, and two Popish Families.



- 2 There are no Licens'd Meeting-Houses in my Parish The Anabaptists in this Parish frequently resort to the Church. There is no Meeting House of the Anabaptists in my Parish. The Papists in this Parish, and the adjacent Villages, privately assemble at a House in this Town once in six or eight Weeks. I do not know the number of them yt do assemble. The Number of Papists in this Town is twelve. Mr Busby, a reputed Popish Priest teaches them<sup>1</sup>. I humbly presume to Note to your Grace that the Papists in this Parish are descended from Popish Parents introduc'd into this Parish by the late Sr Edwd Golding,<sup>2</sup> a Papist: who was possess'd of an Estate of 1100*l* p aññ in this Lordship, and whose abode was in this Town. The late Lord Strafford purchas'd the sd Sr Edwd Golding's Estate in this Lordship: since which time, the number of Papists in this Parish has been decreasing.—I have been inform'd that when Sr Edwd Golding liv'd here, there were but three Persons in this Parish lawfully qualified to Serve the Parish Officers.
- 3 There is not any public or Charity School endow'd, or otherwise maintain'd in my Parish.
- 4 There is not, in my Parish, any Alms-House, or other Charitable Endowment.
- 5 I do reside Personally upon my Cure, and in my Vicarage-House.
- 6 I have no Curate here.
- 7 I do not know of any who come to Church, in my Parish that are not Baptiz'd. Or that are Baptiz'd, and of a competent Age, are not Confirm'd; save some Anabaptists in my Parish, who, sometimes, come to Church.
- 8 The public Service is duly perform'd in my Church twice every Lord's-Day. I declare unto my Congregation on a Sunday, at the time appointed in the Communion Service, what Holy-days, or Fasting-days, there are in the Week following. I do read the public Service on many of those Days.—I wou'd read it on all of them, according to the Letter of the Rubric, but I cannot, for want, sometimes, of a Congregation. My Parishioners, being Persons of ordinary Condition, are hinder'd from attending on some of those days, by their Secular Employments.
9. I Catechise in my Church every Lord's-day during the solemn Season of Lent. The Masters and Parents in my Parish duly send their Children and Servants to be Catechis'd. I prepare Catechetical Discourses, by which I instruct them in the Principles of the Christian Religion, and endeavour to inculcate them on their Minds. My Parishioners not only send their Children and Servants to the public Catechising,

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix A.

<sup>2</sup> Sir Edward Golding, 3rd and last Bart. was buried here on 8th December, 1715.



but come themselves also: When not only the ignorant is inform'd, but the best improv'd, I trust, hear somewhat that confirms their Faith; or directs their Practice.

- 10 The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church, at least, four times in every Year. I have forty nine Communicants in my Parish. About thirty six of them usually receive. Thirty eight communicated at Easter last.
- 11 I do give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administer'd, by reading the Exhortation, enjoin'd by the Rubric, on the Sunday immediately preceding the celebration of the Holy Communion. My Parishioners do not send in their Names to me. It has not been usual to do so In Future I will exhort my Parishioners to send in their Names to me, as the Rubric directs. It is matter of Consolation and Rejoicing to me that there have not, since I have been Vicar of this Parish, been any Notorious Ill Livers in my Parish. I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any one.

I have not, I thank God, met with any uncommon Difficulties in the Discharge of my Duty. I have not observ'd any Defects in the present Canons, or anything much amiss in the Discipline, of the Church. I have not discover'd any Abuses or Corruptions in any Ecclesiastical Officers. I cannot give any Advices, or make any Proposals by which the Glory of God, & the Honor and Interest of our establish'd Church may be more promoted, than they will be by the Wisdom and Piety of your Grace's Counsels, the Authority of your Precepts, and the brightness of your high Example. Neither can I make any proposals whereby the Government of this Diocese may be better order'd, than it will be by your Grace's Administration of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

My Lord,

In obedience to your Grace's Command I have truly and, I hope, clearly and satisfactorily, answer'd the several Questions contained in your Grace's Paper of Questions. I humbly beg your Grace's Benediction, who am, my Lord,

Your Grace's most dutiful & most obedient humble Servt.

Colston-Basset,  
August 27th 1743

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THO: ROSE.

V. THOMAS ROSE. Inst., 8th June, 1721. (See *Colwick*).

C.W. : Jonathan Bricknall  
Thomas Bass.

### 32. Carcolston, Bingham.

- I. There are twenty Families and no Dissenters of any Sort amongst them
- II. There are no meeting houses of any Sort.
- III. There is no Charity School

- IV. There are two Closes one call'd Sharp's Close, and another, ye poor Widow's Close left to the Poor of this Parish, and under the Direction of the Minister and Church-Wardens, and I do not know of any abuses or frauds committed in the management of them
- V. I do reside upon my Cure and in ye Vicarage House
- VI. [Blank]
- VII. I know not any.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in ye Church once ev'ry Lords-Day according to antient Custom, one Sunday in the morning and another in ye afternoon alternately, and the reason of its not being oftner read is the I apprehend small value of ye Living
- IX. I catechise during the Lent Season, at which time the Parishioners send their Children and Servants to be instructed
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd at three Sev'ral times in ye year viz, Christmas, Easter and Whitsuntide, the number of Communicants may be about fifty of which there are generally thirty or upwards that receive, and last Easter there were about that number.
- XI. I do give timely warning of it, and take care to ye utmost of my Power that it be administer'd to Such only as are not unqualified to receive it, I have not yet had occasion to refuse it to any one.

I have no Complaints to make of this Kind, and shall endeavour to promote as far as in me lies those good ends which your Grace is so desirous shou'd be attaind.

ROBT: MANLEY Vicr: of Car-Colston

V. ROBERT MANLEY. Inst. and lic. to preach, 7th March, 1731. (See *Hawksworth*).

C.W. : John Holland  
Jacob Marshall.

### 33. Cromwell, Newark.

- I. There are in Cromwell Thirty Families; but not one Dissenter in the Parish.
- II. There is not any Meeting House in the Parish.
- III. There is not any publick or Charity School in the Parish.
- IV. There is not in the Parish any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment. There are not any Lands, or Tenements left for the Repair of the Church, or to any other pious Use.
- V. The Reverend Mr. Ott, my Rector, desired me to answer these Questions. He does not reside at Cromwell, but at Gamstone his other Living, which he serves himself.
- VI. I am the Curate and reside; am duly qualify'd according to ye Canons in that behalf: I live in ye Parsonage-House, am



allow'd Thirty pounds p Annum for serving ye Cure, & pay ten pounds yearly Rent out of the Thirty for ye House, & Church-Yard.

VII. I do not know of any.

VIII. The publick Service of ye Church is duly performed once every Lord's Day: His late Grace was pleas'd to license me to a small Cure at Sutton upon Trent two miles Distance, for which I am allow'd fifteen pounds p Annum: These two Churches I serve alternately.

IX. The Children are catechis'd in the Church in ye Time of Lent; & ye Parishioners duly send their Children & Servants in order to be instructed.

X. The Sacrament is administred in ye Church four times every Year: There are about fifty Communicants in ye Parish. About Thirty usually receive. Eighteen communicated at Easter last.

XI. I give open and timely Warning of ye Sacrament, before it is administred: I never requir'd any Parishioners to send in their Names, because it was not customary so to do, when I first came to the Parish. I never refused the Sacrament to any one.—

Attested by me ROBERT GUNTHERP Curate of Cromwell

R. JOHN HENRY OTT. Inst. and lic. to pr., 30th Apr., 1739. (See *Gamston*).

A.C. ROBERT GUNTHERP. Lic. 28th June, 1734. D. Lincoln, 4th June, 1732; P. Lincoln, 24th Sept., 1732. St. John's Coll. Camb. LL.B., 1742. (See *Sutton-on-Trent*).

C.W. : Charles Favell  
John Footitt.

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#### 34. South Collingham, Newark.

I. I have about fourscore Families in my Parish & of These about six are Anabaptists\* & one Quaker.

II. I have no Licens'd Meeting-House in my Parish.

III. There is no publick Charity School endow'd in my Parish but there is one encourag'd by me for teaching Poor Children to add something to my Clark's Maintenance, about forty scholars, taught ye Principles of Xtianity according to our Church, another by one Fisher a dissenter, another by a woman Mrs Beakly widow to my late Clark.

IV. There is a Charity left to ye Poor by one Mr Hart's Wil (*sic*), ye Executors of His wife take upon them ye Management of it & apply to ye Use of Anabaptists (she being of that profession) there is also Land left in ye Direction of our Churchwardens. & twenty pds. left by my Grandfather at Interest five pr. Cent to ye Poor lately recover'd by me.

\* See Appendix C.



- V. I reside in my Parsonage House at Elton in ye Deanry of Bingham which is ye Reason of my non-Residence upon this Living,
- VI. I have a Residing Curate qualify'd according to ye Canons who lives in my Parsonage House & hath an Allowance of twenty pds a year besides surplice dues & other Conveniencys.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church not being baptized or that being baptized are not confirmed (unless perhaps some few Anabaptists who follow their Own Way of condemning ye Directions of our Ecclesiastical Appointment.)
- VIII. Publick Service is read in this Church once every Lord's Day & on Holy Days, ye reason, it is not twice, is, because my Curate supplys ye Cure of North Collingham Parish adjoining to mine.
- IX. My Curate doth catechise in my Church in ye time of Lent & ye Parishioners do duly send a many Children to be instructed by Him & some young Servants who have not learn'd their Catechism come to be instructed.
- X. ye Sacrament of ye Lords Supper is administred in this Church four times in a year, ye Number of Communicants when I last administred here myself was about fifty.
- XI. Warning of ye Sacrament is always given a Week before. ye Parishioners do not send in their Names as requir'd, neither have I nor My Curate to my Knowledge refused ye Sacrament to any.

I have not met with any particular Difficulties in ye Discharge of my Duty nor observ'd any particular Defects in ye Canons or Discipline of ye Church. But have observ'd & discover'd many great Abuses or Corruptions in our Surrogates concern'd in proving Wills particularly Wm: Malton my Predecessor who left great Numbers of them in his Study never transmitted to ye Court of York. I freely communicate my Thoughts (as requir'd) & remain,  
Yr Grace's Most Dutiful

M: BRADFORD

R. MATTHEW BRADFORD. Inst., 20th Feb., 1722. D. London, 21st Dec., 1718; P. York, 5th March, 1720. Disp. to hold Rectory of Elton on the Hill, by Abp. of Canterbury, 13th Feb., 1722. Jesus Coll. Camb. Rustat Scho. LL.B., 1719. Preb. of Normanton, in Southwell, 28th Apr., 1743. (See *Elton-on-the-Hill*).

A.C. HERBERT LEEK. (See *North Collingham*).

C.W. : John Crampton  
John Hind.

### 35. North Collingham, Newark.

- I. There are about an Hundred Families out of wch. there are Dissenters Quakers & Anabaptists of ye Latter four Families of ye former only two

- II. There is one Licens'd Meeting House of ye Anabaptists in which they assemble about twenty Every Sunday their Preacher is one Lomax an Ignorant illiterate Flax-Dresser\*
- III. There is one Publick Charity School Endow'd by ye Anabaptists & Entirely in yir Power to wch. Some of ye poorer of our Flock are allow'd to go, but they can stop yir Charity at yir Pleasure, they have abt ten Scholars of yir own Sect.
- IV. There are Lands left by one Mr. Hart to ye Value of about five Pounds a year, for ye poorest People, to be distributed twice in ye year by ye Minister & Cch. Wardens & five Pounds in money yearly to bind Apprentice ye poorest Boy to Some Trade
- V. There has not been any Vicarage House in ye Memory of man, But South Collingham adjoining to it, it appears to be but one Town & has Ever been Served by ye Rectr or Curate of it, where I now reside, for ye Revd. Mr. Bradford
- VI. [Blank].
- VII. There are Some few who frequent ye Church & are not baptiz'd but I have baptiz'd Several since I was here, & there are fewer Every year yn. other [?]
- VIII. As ye Vicarage is very Small under twenty Pds Yearly, there has never been Service twice a day sometimes only once a fortnight or Seldomer, but since I came I have Serv'd it Every Sunday in ye Afternoon
- IX. The Stated & Accustom'd Time Here to Catechise is during Lent, when ye Parishionrs Send yir Children & Servants.
- X. The Sacramt. of ye Lord's Supper is administred in this Church four Times in ye year to abt. fifty at a time particularly at Easter Last.
- XI. I give Notice always ye Sunday before I administer ye Sacrament, openly in ye Church, but it has never been ye Custome in my Parish, nor any yt I've heard of, in my memory to send in ye Names of ye Co~municants

The above Answers are given in by your Very Dutiful Son to Command

HERBT LEEK Minister of North Collingham

V. SAMUEL LEAKE. Inst., 25th Sept., 1732. (See *Kilvington, Staunton Chapel*, and *Sutton-on-Trent*).

A.C. HERBERT LEEK. Lic. 1st Dec., 1736. D. Lincoln, 2nd March, 1734; P. Lincoln, 21st Dec., 1735. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1734. (See *South Collingham*).

C.W. : Jervas Cole

John Booker.

The Archbishop notes "An Anabaptist School here and some unbaptised."

### 36. North Clifton, Newark.

- I. There are in this Parish about eighty Famalies (*sic*). two of these are Dissenters, & Anabaptists by profession

\* See Appendix C,



- II. There is no Licenced or other Meeting house in this Parish.
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School endowed or otherwise maintain'd in this Parish, there three (*sic*) private english Schools in which are taught about thirty Children. their Masters teach them their Catechism & bring them to church
- IV. There is not in this Parish any Alms House, Hospital or other charitable endowment. there are Lands left for the repair & use of the Church to the Value of three pounds p annum. the Church wardens for the time being have the Management of the Money, & have not that I know off committed no fraud or abuses in the Managemt. of it
- V. I personally reside upon my Cure & in my Parsonage House
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church who are not Baptized or that being baptized & of Competent age who are not confirmed.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once every Lords Day & sometimes twice; but always once every Sunday Morning & in the afternoon too when my Infirmities will permit.
- IX. I Catechise the Children Six or Seven in the Year, (*sic*) & generally in Lent. I generally desire the Parent & Masters att the beginnig (*sic*) of Lent to teach their Children & Servants the Catechism But the Parishioners never send them to me, nor is it custimary (*sic*) any where in this Neighbourhood that I know off
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred Six times in the Year. there are about one hundred & forty Communicants in this parish, about thirty or forty of these usually receive & about one hundred communicated at Easter last.
- XI. I give open & timely warning of the Sacrament before it is administred the Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

This is a true Account of the Articles above witness my hand  
N. CASSON Vicar

V. NICHOLAS CASSON. Inst., 16th Ap., 1717. D. Carlisle, 30th May, 1708; P. York, 23rd Sept., 1711. Trin. Coll. Dublin, B.A.

C.W. : George Footitt

John Worsley.

*Ante-Nuptial Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. (his wife); excommunicated Sept. 1st; denounced, 18th Nov., 1744.

*Fornication*.—E.F. and G.H. Excommunicated and then denounced.

### 37. Codington, [Coddington.] Newark.

- I. There are 40 families in ye Town of Coddington & none of them Dissenters of any sort.
- II. There is no Licens'd or other Meeting-House in ye sd town.



- III. There is no Publick or Charity School endowed or otherwise mentained (*sic*) in ye sd Town
  - IV. There is no Hospital Alms House or other Charitable Endowmt. but yre are 2 or 3. Charities left by Will to ye poor of Coddington wch. amount altogether at present to 12 or 13 pounds a Year. there are Trustees for ye Same, I fear these Benefactions are applied to ye Easing ye ffarmers in their Levys for ye Poor, I have often desired a Sight of those Wills but cou'd never obtain it. If ye Terms of ye Wills will allow It, I think ye best application of part of It would be a Salary for a School & ye Rather as it might be a means to keep ye Young People in a better observance of ye Lord's Day. There being no Minister Residing amonst (*sic*) them.
  - V. I reside in my Vicarage at Stoake of wch. Coddington is an Appendage having been Consolidated to It above 400 Years.
  - VI. I have no Curate at Coddington
  - VII. I believe they are all Baptized yt come Church (*sic*) and yt all of a Competent Age were Confirmed by Your Grace.
  - VIII. Coddington being a small Benefit (*sic*) they have Service once a fortnight according to ye Old Usage
  - IX. Coddington being 6 miles from Stoake I cannot Catechise so often as at Stoake—
  - X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administred thrice a Year namely at ye 3 great Festivals, there may be 60 Coñunicants of wch. not above 10 Communicated at Easter last.
  - XI. I always give open & timely warning of the Sacrament & have not refus'd it to any One
- I am My Lord Your Grace's most Dutyfull Son & most Obedient Servant

F: BAINBRIDGE C.

C. FRANCIS BAINBRIDGE. (See *East Stoke, Elston Chapel, and Sierston*).

C.W. : Charles Sutton

John Hoyes.

Abp. notes, "Charities here left by Will. Query how left and how distributed ? "

### 38. [Colwick, Nottingham.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

The Answers of Tho: Rose, Rector of Colwick, in the Deanry of Nottingham [&c]

- 1. There are ten Families in my Parish. There are no Dissenters of any Sort.
- 2. There is no Licens'd, or other Meeting-House in my Parish.
- 3. There is not any public, or Charity School endow'd, or otherwise maintain'd, in my Parish.
- 4. There is not, in my Parish, any Alms-House Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment.

- 5 I do not reside upon my Cure of Colwick. I personally reside on my Cure of Colston-Basset, and in the Vicarage-House.
- 6 The Revd Mr Hutchinson is my Curate He does not reside at Colwick. He is duly qualified according to the Canons in that Behalf. He lives at Nottingham with the Rēvd Mr Chappell Rector of St Peter's. He is not only my Curate but also Mr Chappells Assistant. I allow him twenty five pounds p ann. The Revd Mr Chappell allows him fifteen pounds p ann. Nottingham is not distant from Colwick above two Miles, so that my Curate can conveniently perform all his Duties both in the Church, and in the Parish of Colwick.
- 7 I do not know of any in my Parish who come to Church that are not Baptiz'd. Or that are Baptiz'd, and of a competent Age, are not Confirm'd.
- 8 The public Service is perform'd in my Church twice every Lord's-Day.
- 9 My Curate does Catechise in my Church every Sunday during the Solemn Season of Lent. My Parishioners duly send their Children and Servants to be Catechis'd.
- 10 The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church four times in a Year. There are eighteen Communicants in my Parish. About nine or ten usually receive. Ten communicated at Easter last.
- 11 The Curate gives open and timely warning of the Sacrament before it is administer'd. My Parishioners do not send in their Names to him. It has not been usual to do so. The Sacrament has not been refus'd to any one.

[The remainder is the same as given under Colston-Basset].

R. THOS. ROSE. Inst., 4th Oct., 1723. D. York, 13th March, 1714; P. York, 22nd Sept., 1717. S.S. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1713; M.A., 1723. (See *Colston Bassett*).

A.C. CHARLES HUTCHINSON. "Approved as P." 26th Sept., 1735. (See *Willoughby (Notts.)* and *S. Peter's, Nottingham*).

C.W. : John Horsley  
William Strelley.

### 39. Claworth, Retford.

- I. There are about Ninety Familys in this parish. There are no Dissenters—
- II. There is no Meeting House in this parish
- III. There is a Charity School endow'd wth nine pounds pr Annum for ye teaching eight poor Children, who are instructed in ye principles of ye Xtian Rel: according to ye Doctrine of ye Church of England and they duly come to Church as ye Cannon (*sic*) requires
- IV. There is no Alms House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment in this parish—
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure, and in my parsonage House—



- VI. I have [no] Residing Curate
- VII. I know of none who come to Church but wt are baptiz'd, or yt being baptiz'd, and of A Competent age, but wt are confirmed—
- VIII. Publick Service is generally perform'd, on Holy-days Wednesdays & Fry-days, and twice 'on every Lords-Day—
- IX. I Catechise in Lent, and ye Children come to be instructed—
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lds-Supper is administred five times in the year, and generally speaking 30 or above communicate; about fifty communicated last Easter—
- XI. I give open and timely warning of ye Sacrament before it is administred, I never yet had occasion to refuse ye Sacrament to any one

SAM: HURST Recr: of Clayworth—

1743 Clayworth Aug: ye 17th

R. SAMUEL HURST. Inst., 4th May, 1715. D. Peterborough, 4th June, 1710; P. Peterborough, 23rd Sept., 1711. Trin. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1708; M.A. 1730.

C.W. : Richard Ledger  
John Ledger.

#### 40. Carlton in Lindrick, Retford.

- I. We have Eighty Five Families in our Parish. we have no Dissenters, except Some reputed Roman Catholicks. 5 Families entirely such\*, 1 other whose Wife is a Romanist; another who is so himself: one whose Wife is so, but none other of his Family; & one whose Wife & Children are Romans, but not himself.—
- II. No.
- III. We have a School with a very small Endowment, betwixt 20 & 30 Children are taught in it, due Care is taken to instruct them in the Christian Religion & to bring them to Church.
- IV. We have Four & Thirty Shillings & Four Pence in Money belonging to the Parish lent on Bond. We have a small Parcel of Land, the Rent of which is laid out in the Repairs of the Church by the Church-wardens, for the time being, I know of no Abuses in the Management of it.
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure in my Parsonage House—
- VI. [Blank]
- VII. No.
- VIII. Publick Service is read twice every Sunday & on all the Festivals once, & once on every Wednesday & Friday—
- IX. Once a Year—
- X. Five Times, to wit, On Xtnas. Day, Good-Friday Easter-Day, Whitsunday & on the Sunday after Michaelmass. We

\* See Appendix A.



have sometimes 40, sometimes 50, last Easter we had about Forty Communicants. We have above an Hundred Communicants.

- XI. I do give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament, they do not send in their Names, I have not refused any Person the Sacrament.—

R. EDWARD GREGORY. Inst., 15th March, 1731. Disp. to hold Rectory of Widmerpool also, 11th March, 1731. (See *Widmerpool*).

C.W. : Richard Mellings  
James Waller.

**41. Clarbrough, [Clareborough.]  
Retford.**

- I. There are one hundred & eighteen Families five of which Number are Quakers & four Roman Catholicks
- II. There is one licens'd Quaker's meeting House\*. Their Assemblies, their Numbers, & their Teachers are uncertain: They being itinerant ones.
- III. There is none.
- IV. There is no Almshouse &c. no Lands or Tenements left to ye Church. There is left to ye poor to be distributed annually by ye Minister & Churchwardens seven Pounds fifteen shillings & four Pence. It is well managed.
- V. I reside Personally upon my Cure, in my own House.
- VI. I have none.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. The publick Service is read alternately every Lords day at ten in ye Morn: & three in ye Afternoon. The Reason why it is not done twice is, The Curacy of Hayton adjoins to ye Parish & has been serv'd time out of Mind by ye Minister of Clarbrough.
- IX. I catechise every Wednesday in Lent. The Parishioners send in as duly as can be expected, their Children & Servants.
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd six Times in ye Year. There are about one hundred Communicants. sixty generally, at Easter Last seventy three receiv'd.
- XI. I do. The Parishioners do not give in their Names, nor can it be remberd (*sic*) the (*sic*) have done

EDMUND MOWER Vicar

V. EDMUND MOWER. Inst. and lic. to pr., 16th March, 1741. D. Lincoln, 9th June, 1741 (*vere*, 1736, Linc. Reg.); P. Lincoln, 20th June, 1736. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1732. (See *Hayton Notts*).

C.W. : Robert Kippax  
John Alland

**42. Carburton,  
Retford.**

- I. The Number of Families at Carburton are Sixteen

\* See Appendix C.

- II. We have no Licens'd or other Meeting House—
  - III. No Charity School at Carburton—
  - IV. No Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment—
  - V. I do reside in ye Vicarage-House at Edwinstow.
  - VI. [Blank]
  - VII. None come to Carburton Chappel that are not Baptiz'd, 'tho I believe some of them have not been Confirm'd.
  - VIII. Publick Service is perform'd here once a fortnight in ye afternoon, in the same Manner as at ye other Chapels of Ollerton & Palethorpe
  - IX. Catechizing here once a fortnight in Lent.
  - X. The Sacramt. administer'd here 3 times in the year, viz. Easter, Whitsuntide & Xmass—Number of Communicants are 33, & about 11 of ym. recd. last Easter.
  - XI. Open & timely Warning giv'n of the Sacrament before it is administer'd, They do not usually send in yr. Names, as may be required; I have not refused the Sacramt. to any one.
- As to these last mention'd Articles I find no reason to Object any thing

JOHN MEYRICK Vicar of Edwinstow

C. JOHN MEYRICK. (See *Edwinstowe*, *Ollerton*, and *Palethorpe*).  
C.W. : Daniel Cowley.

#### 43. Cropwell Bishop, Southwell (Peculiar).

- I. In the Parish of Cropwell Bishop there are about fifty eight Families. There are not any Dissenters in the Parish.
- II. There is not any licens'd or other Meeting House in this Parish
- III. There is not any publick or Charity School in this Parish.
- IV. There is not in this Parish any Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment. There have not any Lands or Tenements been left for the repair of our Church or to any other pious Uses
- V. I do not reside personally upon my Cure. I reside at my other Living of Holme Pierrepont three miles distant from this Parish, the Vicarage House here being very small and inconvenient.
- VI. I have not a residing Curate.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church in this Parish that are not baptized, or that being baptized and of a competent Age are not confirm'd, excepting some few who not having had an opportunity of being confirm'd when they were of a competent Age had receiv'd the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper before Your Grace's late Confirmation.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in this Church once every Lord's Day, commonly in the Afternoon; and every Wednesday in the morning unless I am prevented by some accidental



business which does not often happen. The smallness of the Income will not enable me to keep a resident Curate, the profits not exceeding 45ll p Ann, and as I likewise supply my other Cure, I can't attend here above once on a Lord's Day, which is as often as they used to have Service when the Vicar resided Himself.

- IX. I catechise in this Church every Sunday in Lent after the second Lesson at Evening Service. The Parishioners do send their Children and Servants who have not learned their Catechism to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administerd in this Church four times in the year. There are in this Parish about one hundred and thirty Communicants, of which about fifty usually receive each time. I believe about fifty communicated at Easter last.
- XI. I do give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administer'd. It has not been customary here for the Parishioners to send in their names to the Minister. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

SCROPE BERDMORE Vicar of Cropwell Bishop

V. SCROPE BERDMORE. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 20th Dec., 1735. (See *Holme Pierrepont* and *S. Mary's, Nottingham*).

C.W.: William White  
William Barns.

#### 44. West Drayton, Retford.

- I. There are in this Parish no more than seventeen Families; No Dissenters.
- II. There is no Meeting House in this Parish
- III. There is one publick Free-School, ye Indowment (*sic*) is twenty five Pounds a Year, The Number of Children uncertain, in ye general about fifty. Good Care is taken of them in all Respects. (The Children of ye neighbouring Towns are free)
- IV. There is no Alms-House or other charitable Endowment in this Parish
- V. This Living being consolidated with East-Markham The Vicarage-House or Place of Residence is at Et. (*sic*) Markham. This Article is further answer'd under ye Same Article for East-Markham.
- VI. The Curate is ye same with ye Curate of East-Markham, & there more fully answer'd under ye Same Article.
- VII. Not any yt I know of.
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd once on every Lord's Day, Christmas-Day & Good-Friday, Service being on one Part of ye Day at East-Markham.
- IX. Once in a Year, viz. during ye whole Season of Lent & also when there is a Confirmation, in Order to ye better preparing



of Children & Servants for it. The Parishioners do send their Children & Servants as required.—

- X. The Sacrament is administred three Times in a Year. The Number of Persons above 16 Years of Age are about 28 or 30. The usual Number of Communicants is about 10. The last Easter there were Sixteen.
- XI. I give Notice for ye Sacrament on ye Sunday before it is to be administred. The Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not refused ye Sacrament to any one.

C. THOMAS GYLBY. Adm., 10th Jan., 1709. (See *West* and *East Retford* and *East Markham*).

C.W. : Thomas Theaker.

**45. Great Drayton, [East Drayton]  
Retford.**

- I. 1. Upwards of Fifty.  
2. One of which are Quakers & One Roman Catholicks.
- II. We have No Meeting House.
- III. We have No School—
- IV. 1. We have no Alms House—  
Nor are there any Lands left for the repair of the Church or any other pious use.
- V. Yes, But not in the Parsonage House it being so extreamly Bad. In an other Town in the Parish—
- VI. [Blank]
- VII. No. None.
- VIII. Two Sundays in Three,  
One in the Morning the other in the Afternoon.
- IX. Once a Year, & the Parishioners duly send their Children—
- X. 1 Three or Four times Yearly 2. About 70, or 80.  
3 About fifteen or Twenty.  
4 About twenty.—
- XI. Yes.  
2. The Parishioners do not send in Their Names.  
3 I have refused None The Sacrament.—

W: PALLISSER Curate.

V. WALTER PALLISSER. Inst. and lic. to pr., 1st April, 1741. D. St. Asaph, 22nd March, 1740; P. St. Asaph, 25th March, 1741. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho., 1737; LL.B., 1741. (See *Askham* and *Stokeham*).

C.W. Old : William Hall

John Gabbitas

New : John Gurnell

Moses Carter.

**46. Dunham,  
Southwell (Peculiar.)**

- I. We have Sixty Two Families. We have no Dissenters.—
- II. We have no Meeting House in our Parish.—

- III. We have a publick School not endowed. Forty or sometimes Fifty Children are taught in it. They are instructed in the Church Catechism & duly brought to Church.—
- IV. We have no Alms-House &c. There are Lands wch. are Let for the Repairs of the Church at about Three pounds pr Annum, called Ch: Lands; By whom they were Left I never heard; They are rightly applied.—
- V. I reside upon my Cure and in my Vicarage House.—
- VI. I have no Curate.—
- VII. All under my Care are Baptised. I have Some ten not Confirmed.
- VIII. I read the publick Service on Wednesdays & ffridays throughout the Year, and Twice Every Other Lords Day. I have a Chappel & a Ch: wch. are members of this; They take up part of my Time.
- IX. I Catechise in Lent, After Easter and Harvest. It's very difficult to get unlearn'd persons to be instructed.—
- X. The Sacramt. is administered Four Times every year. We have One Hundered (*sic*) and Forty Five Coṃunicants, & out These (*sic*) Thirty six or seven usually receive. Sixty One received at Easter.—
- XI. I give open and timely Warning before every Sacrament. The parishioners have not as yet sent in their Names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.—

To these I have nothing to say at present

ANDW CAVE Vicr. of Dunham

V. ANDREW CAVE. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 24th Oct., 1723. D. Lincoln, 13th March, 1714; P. Lincoln, 23rd Sept., 1716. Clare Hall, Camb. B.A., 1713. (See *Darlington* and *Ragnall*).

C.W. : John Allinson  
Luke Bott.

#### 47. **Darlington, Southwell (Peculiar.)**

- I. We have Thirty Five ffamilies. We have no Dissenters.—
- II. We have Not any Meeting House.
- III. We have a publick School taught by a poor man. He may have about Twenty Children; He instructs them in the Church Catechism and brings them to Church.
- IV. There is not an Alms-House in our parish &c. We have not any Lands left for the Repair of the Church, or any other pious use.—
- V. I reside in my Vicarage House at Duham (*sic*) the Mother Church.
- VI. I have not a Curate
- VII. All in this parish are Baptised. Two Servants of a Competent Age are not Confirmed.—
- VIII. I read the publick Service in this Church Every Other Lords Day.



- IX. I Catechise in Lent, after Easter & Harvest. The parishoners (*sic*) are backward in sending their Children and Servants to be instructed
- X. The Sacramt. of the Ld's Supper I administer in the Church Four times in the year. We have Seventy Two Communicants, about Twenty Six or Seven usually receive. Thirty one received at Easter.—
- XI. I give open and timely warning before every Sacramt. The parishoners have not as yet sent in their Names. I have not refused the Sacramt. to any One.—  
To these I have nothing to say at present,  
ANDW. CAVE Vicr. of Darlton

V. ANDREW CAVE. (See *Dunham* and *Ragnall*).  
C.W. : Joseph Schofield  
Stephen Camb.

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**48. Elton upon the Hill,  
Bingham.**

- I. I have fifteen Families in this Parish but not one Dissenter of any Sort.
- II. Nor Meeting House of any Sort in my Parish.
- III. There is no endow'd School to teach Children either Publick or Private, yet Care is taken to instruct them in Christian Principles & to bring them duly to Church as ye Canon requires.
- IV. I have no Alms-House, Hospital or other endow'd Charity. Nor any Lands or Tenements have been left for Church repairs or to any other pious Use in this Parish.
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure & in my Parsonage-House.
- VI. I am residing in my own Parish personally.
- VII. I do not know of any in my Parish who come to Church not being baptiz'd, nor any of competent Age who are not now confirm'd.
- VIII. Publick Service is read twice in my Church on ye Lords day unless it happens that I preach for any of My Neighbours who all have double Cures round except my self.
- IX. I constantly catechise ye Children in my Parish at Church during ye Time of Lent, when ye Parishioners send them, at ye same time instructing grown up Persons in ye meaning of our Church Catechism.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lords Supper is administred in My Church three times in a Year at Xtmass, Easter & Whitsunday when I had about twenty Communicants ye last time.
- XI. I do give open & timely Warning a Week before the Sacrament is administred, ye Parishioners do not usually send in their Names, neither have I ever refus'd any Person, nor think I have had any Reason to refuse any one.



I have mett with no remarkable difficulties in ye Discharge of my Parochial Duty; nor observ'd any particular Defects in ye Canons or Church Discipline; I have not at present any Proposals to make by which ye Government of this Diocese may be better order'd than under ye Care of my Lord Archbishop & His Ecclesiastical Officers. I am with great Duty His obedient Son & Faithful Humble Servant.

M: BRADFORD Rr. of Elton.

R. MATTHEW BRADFORD. Inst., 6th March, 1720. (See *South Collingham*).

C.W. : Andrew Kirk  
Henry Wiseman.

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**49. Edwalton,  
Bingham.**

- I. We have only 12 families in this Parish, Six of which are Farmers, & Six Cottagers. There is one Dissenting Family, of that sort called Independents.
- II. There is no Meeting House.
- III. There is no publick or Charity School at all.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment.
- V. I do not reside there: there is indeed a poor Cottage calld the Parsonage House, in which my Clerk now dwells. I reside at Nottingham within two Miles of Edwalton, in the House belonging to ye Freeschool, of which I am Master.
- VI. I have none.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. The publick Service is read & the Word of God is now preachd once a fortnight. When I was first admitted to the Curacy, the whole Profits did not amount to six pounds p ann: & then the Service was only once a month; It has lately been augmented with 200*l* of Q. Annes Bounty Money, since wch time I have preachd once a fortnight.
- IX. I use to catechise the Children chiefly in the time of Lent; but since the last Confirmation, having found the Explanation of the Catechism so very useful & necessary both to ye old & young, yt I have determin'd to turn my Discourses for the most part into an Exposition of ye Church Catechism.
- X. Before I came to the Curacy the Sacrament was administred but once a Year, but now I have brought it to three times. There are but about 12 Communicants. Last Easter I think only ten comunicated.
- XI. I always give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament. the Parishioners have not been used to send in their Names. I have never refused the Sacramt to any that offerr'd (*sic*) themselves.

I have not yet met with any Difficulties in the Discharge of

my Duty, nor do I think my Self capable to give Advice, or make any proposals to your Grace, whom all the World believes so worthy & fit in every Respect, to direct & govern the Church in general, & your Graces own Diocese in particular.

I am, with all due Respect your Grace's Most dutiful & most obedient Servant

JOHN HENSON

Nottm. Aug: 29. 1743.

C. JOHN HENSON. Adm., 23rd March, 1738. D. Winton, 24th Dec., 1738; P. Bangor, 1st June, 1740. S.S. Coll. Camb. No degree. Lic., Master of Free School, Nottingham, 25th July, 1733. (See *Stanton on the Wolds*).  
C.W. : Francis Selby.

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**50. Elston Church,  
Newark.**

- I. We have Nineteen families in ye Parish & only one Dissenter, an old Woman, who is a Papist.
- II. There is no meeting House in ye Parish.
- III. There is a School endow'd wth Lands to ye Value of about 4ll pounds (*sic*) a Year. The Master is oblig'd to teach all ye Poor Children in ye Town. He takes care to instruct them in ye Doctrines of ye Church of England & to bring them to Church.
- IV. No Alms-house or Hospital. No benefactions left to ye Church.
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure & in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate here.
- VII. I do not know of any.
- VIII. I perform Service once every Sunday here & at Thorp, wch is a little Mile from me, both which places I supply alternately. I read Prayers on Wednesdays & Friday in Lent, & on Holy days.
- IX. I always catechise in Lent, & my Parishioners sends (*sic*) their Children & Servants
- X. I administer ye Sacrament four times in ye Year. There are abt 44 Coñunicants in ye Parish. Last Easter near 30 did coñunicate.
- XI. I give warning of ye Sacrament in ye Church, ye Sunday before it is administer'd. The Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not refused ye Sacrament to any one.

GEO: CHAPPELL Rector

R. GEORGE CHAPPELL. Inst. and lic. to pr., 11th Nov., 1732. (See *Barmby-in-the-Willows* and *Thorpe-nigh-Newark*).

C.W. : Richard Bradley  
Daniel Hook.

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**51. [Eakring,  
Newark].**

(Not written on the printed Form).

The Minister of Eakring's Answers to the ArchBishop of



## York's Questions 1743

## Questions

## Answers

- 1 { We have about Seventy Families, one of them of the Quaker's Perswasion; and we have a Labourer a Papist.
- 2— We have no Meeting House.
- 3 { We have no Charity or publick School. Some few Children, whom their Parents want Power or Leisure to teach at Home, are sent occasionally & at Wide Intervals of Time to one or other of two or three Persons in the Town, who teach them poorly to read & write.
- 4 { We have no Endowments of any Kind. There was formerly seventeen Pound left in Money by three several People for the Use of the Poor. This Money was put into the Hands of the Parish Officers, who sunk the Principal in a Lawsuit they had with a neighbouring Parish about forty years ago. However seventeen shillings, as Interest, is yearly paid to the Poor by the Churchwardens.
- 5— I reside constantly at Eakring, & in my Parsonage House.
- 6— I have no Curate or Assistant.
- 7 { I know of none that come to my Church and are not baptized; nor of any that being baptized and of a competent Age are not confirmed.
- 8 { I constantly read Prayers and preach on the Lord's Day in the Morning. And in the Afternoon I read Prayers again, unless call'd out to the Assistance of a neighbouring Minister, which seldom happens. I have tried to bring my People to Prayers on Holidays; but they neither will nor indeed can come.
- 9 { I do not catechise in my Church at present. I used to do it formerly every Sunday in the Afternoon during Lent, & at the same Time I explained the Catechism. At first, whilst the Thing was new, a pretty many Children came (but no Servants) and several grown Persons attended. By Degrees both one and the other dwindled away, till I was quite discouraged from proceeding. None send their Children or Servants to be instructed in their Catechism by me.
- 10 { I administer the Lord's Supper on Christmas Day and the Sunday following, on Easter Day and the Sunday after that. These are my stated Times, well known to my Parishners, & are scarce ever varied. The Number of Communicants must be guess'd from the Number of Families. I had about fourteen or fifteen each Day last Easter. And the Number is seldom greater, or much less.
- 11 { I read the Exhortation in the Communion Office always on the Lord's Day immediately preceding the first Christmas & the first Easter Sacrament, unless I preach on the Occasion. My Neighbours never send in their names before they communicate. I never refused the Sacrament to any of them, nor ever had Occasion to do so.

May it please your Grace.

You have here a Return to your printed Questions. If any of my Answers are not sufficiently clear & satisfactory, I will endeavour to make them so upon the first Intimation of your Lordships Pleasure to

Your most dutifull & obedient Servant

Eakring

GILBERT MICHELL

10th September 1743

R. GILBERT MICHELL. Inst., 16th Oct., 1722. D. London, 24th Sept., 1710; P. York, 19th June, 1712. Exeter Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1709; M.A., from St. John's Coll. Camb., 1715.

C.W. : John Barker

Robert Bowman.

## 52. Elston Chappel, Newark.

- I. There are 34 families in ye Chappell Mediety of Elston, of wch. none are Dissenters of any sort.
- II. We have no Licens'd or other meeting house there.
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School in ye sd. Mediety.
- IV. There is no Alms-house Hospital or other Charitable Endowment, nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for ye repair of ye Chappell.
- V. There is no house for ye Minister it being only (as Coddington & Syrestone) an Appendage of East Stoake — —
- VI. I have no residing Curate there.
- VII. I believe there are none who come to Church who are not Baptized and yt all who are of Competent Age were Confirmed by Your Grace
- VIII. Only once a Month in ye morning, & then Stoake is omitted according to ye old Usage
- IX. I do not Catechise so often there as at Stoake, but I desire ye School Master (in ye same Town in ye Ch: Parish) to instruct ye Children of my Parish in ye Church Catechism & I am satisfied yt he carefully dos (*sic*) so.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administered thrice in ye Year namely at Easter Whitsuntide & Christmas (*sic*): there may be 60 Communicāts of wch. about 20 received at Easter last.
- XI. I give open & timely warning of ye Sacrament & have refus'd it to no one.

I am My Lord Your Grace's most Dutyfull Son & most Obedient Servant

F. BAINBRIDGE

C. FRANCIS BAINBRIDGE. Inst., 19th Aug., 1718. (See *East Stoke* and *Syerston*).

C.W. : Matthew Blackmore  
Thomas Sumner,



**53. Epperston,  
Nottingham.**

- I. 58 families. 2 only are Dissenters, one Woman a Quaker, & one man a Presbyterian, he comes oft to Church, ye rest of yir families duely attend ye Service of ye Church. & those two married into this Parish.
- II. There is no meeting house in this Parish, blessed be God, I have seen an end of their meetings here, for yre has not been one for more than 20 years.
- III. There is no charity School endow'd. ye Lady Dowager Howe\* pays for ten poor children yir Parents send others, & they are about twenty they are well instructed by yir ingenious mistress & come to the Church publickly to hear ye word of God, & repeat ye Church Catachism (*sic*) very aptly.
- IV. There is no alms house, Hospital &c. There are only two pieces of ground somewt more than an Acre left to ye Minister for wch he pays to ye Lady Dowager Howe 3s 4d. 11s for bread & Wine & 11s to ye poor at Easter wch I generally distribute on Easter Monday.
- V. I do reside upon my Cure & in my Parsonage house, from wch I have not been absent one night for more yn twelve months.
- VI. Therefore have no Curate, but in my late illness assisted by good neighbors.
- VII. I know none of either kind.
- VIII. duely twice ev'ry Lords day, & in ye morning of Each holy Day, & on some Morning & Evening
- IX. I usually begin to catechise on ye 1st Sunday in lent, continue to catechise & explain ye Catechism till ye Feast of St. Michael but this year was hinder'd thro' a fever wch held me near 4 months, & from wch & its bad effects I am not yet totally freed.
- X. 7 times a Year I administer ye Sacrament &c yre are about 149 of age to communicate, but being mostly brought up to husbandry, & staying here prhaps a year or less, many of 'em commonally (*sic*) depart before they are duely qualified to receive. sometimes yre be 40 & 50 & more, & last Easter about 125 Communicated
- XI. I always give notice ye Sunday before ye Sacrament is administred. The Parishoners before my days & since have not sent in their Names; nor is it so absolutely necessary, in my opinion, wre ye Communicants are so well known. nor cou'd I ever prevail to have ym send in yir names. I have interdicted none, but duely setting myself to prepare ym for it's reception, I charitably hope they are truely qualified & yrefore exclude none that offer themselves.

\* Presumably Juliana, widow of Sir Scrope, 1st Viscount Howe is meant, though the widow of Emanuel Scrope, 2nd Viscount, was also living. Juliana, Lady Howe, died Sept., 1747.

wth none  
 ye Canons & Discipline are good, but weaknd by ye Act of  
 Tolearation (*sic*)  
 None I know of.

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May it please Your Grace,

Your Wisdom, Prudence & Condescension are so apparently  
 great, & You begin so ominously well, (yt Your Clergy may well  
 bless God yt you are set over ym). And yt You may live long to  
 rule over them is ye unfeigned prayer of, my Ld, Your Graces  
 humbly-devoted Son & Servt,

Eperston

CHRISTOPHER-RALEIGH SETON

7r 14th, 1743

Rr of Eperston

R. CHRISTOPHER RALEIGH SETON. Inst., 19th Feb., 1705. D.  
 Gloucester, 19th March, 1701; P. Norwich, 17th Feb., 1705. Linc. Coll.  
 Oxon. B.A., 1701; M.A., 1712.

C.W. : John Adkin

John Holloway.

The Church Wardens were presented for allowing the Churchyard fence to  
 be out of repair.

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#### 54. Egmanton, Retford.

- I. There are about 50 Houses in the Parish. The Master of one Family, his Sister & one of his Apprentice Boys are Quakers: Another Sister of his, of the same Persuasion, is a Servant elsewhere in the Town. We have no other Dissenters.
- II. No Licensed or other Meeting House.
- III. No Publick or Charity School.
- IV. No Alms House &c. Some Lands have been left for the Repairs of the Church & for the Poor, the Particulars of wch. have been transmitted to Your Grace's Registry. These Lands are Lett out by the Church Wardens & Overseers of the Poor, for the time being, & I believe the Rents & Issues of them are duely applied, according to the Intencōn of the Donors.
- V. I Reside Personally in the Vicarage House.
- VI. No Curate.
- VII. No Unbaptized Person comes to Church. There are some few who, in Respect of their Age, might have been Confirmed: But they may be better Qualified for it, against the next Confirmation.
- VIII. The Publick Service is duly Performed twice every Lord's Day: And the extraordinary Daies of Publick Humiliation & Thanksgiving, appointed by Royal Proclamation, are also regularly Observed. The Publick Service is seldom Performed at other times.
- IX. I Catechize two or three Sundays in Lent, when I find the



Generality of my young People, thro' the Care of their Parents, very well instructed in the Church Catechism.

- X. The Sacrament is administred five times in the Year. The Number of Communicants may be about 150. One time with another betwixt thirty & forty may Receive: And last Easter, viz. on the Sunday before Easter & on Easter Day about four score Persons did Communicate.
- XI. Timely Warning is given of the Sacrament before it is Administred. The Parishioners, intending to Communicate, do not send in their Names. The Sacrament hath not been Refused to any one.

Egmanton, June 6, 1743.

BENJ: CLAY.

V. BENJAMIN CLAY. Inst. 21st Oct., 1718. D. York, 19th June, 1709;  
P. York, 23rd Sept., 1711. Jesus Coll. Camb. Rustat Scho. B.A., 1706.

C.W. : William Caudwell  
Robert Wetherell.

## 55. **Everton, Retford.**

- I. We have about eighty Families, two persons who profess themselves of the Popish religion, & two Quakers.
- II. We have none.
- III. We have a school in wch. ten or a dozen children are taught at the expence of their parents & instructed according to the doctrine of the Church of England & duly brought to Church.
- IV. We have some small charity's in all 2li—15s—0d, the greatest part of wch. is under the direction of the Minister & Churchwardens, & I know of no abuse, or fraud in the management of 'em. only it may be proper to observe to Yr Grace that there is one benefaction of ten shillings a year to the Poor wch. is charg'd upon some lands in Everton, wth'out the particular nomination of any person to receive it for their use; by wch. means it is not known wch. of the Poor have it, or whether any of em have it at all.
- V. I do reside personally upon the Cure, but not in the Vicarage house; (tho at a very great expence I have built one, a Barn, a stable & other Outhouses all new from the ground;) having the convenience of a much larger house from a relation.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. Publick service is duly perform'd once every Lord's day on one part of it, on the other I attend the Parish of Missen.
- IX. My usual time of catechising here is in the the (*sic*) Lent Season when most of the Parishioners duly send their Children & servants.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administer'd three times a year, the number of Comūicants is usually about forty or fifty, near fifty comūunicated at Easter last.

XI. I give proper notice of the Sacrament before it is administer'd. it has not been usual here for the Parishioners to send in their names. I have never refus'd the Sacrament to any one. I have nothing to communicate to yr Grace on the Query's above.

JN. FOSS Vicar of Evertôn

V. JOHN FOSS. Inst. 27th Sept., 1711. D. York, 2nd June, 1706; P. York, 8th June, 1707. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho., 1700; B.A., 1702; M.A., 1718. (See *Castleford* and *Missen*).

C.W. : John Lawton  
Thomas Bruerton  
John Spencer.

## 56. Edwinstow, Retford.

- I. The Number of Families in Edwinstow, Clypston and Budbye 2 small villages belonging to Edwinstow, are as follow, viz. in Edwinstow 60, Clypston 20, and at Budbye there are 40 Families; 4 of these last are Dissenters, viz, Papists:\*
- II. We have no Licensed or other Meeting House,
- III. At Edwinstow a Charity School; the Endowment 5 pound in House & Land; Eight children to be taught free in it to read and write; the School is well lookd after by a sufficient person.
- IV. At Edwinstow. 2 Dwelling Houses left for Two poor Widow women, to inhabit, who live therein
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure, and in the Parsonage House at Edwinstow.
- VI. I have a residing Curate; He has no Licence at present, but designs to take one ye 1st. opportunity. He lives in ye Parsonage House, & has 30l. per Annum allowance—
- VII. I know of none who come to Edwinstow Church who is not Baptizd; tho I believe some of them tho' of a Competent age have not had ye opportunity of Confirmation.
- VIII. We have three Chapels belonging to Edwinstow Parish; publick Service read in Edwinstow Church every Lord's Day in the Morning, once a fortnight in the Afternoon; and every fortnight at each of ye other Chapels in the Afternoon.
- IX. Children duely Catechiz'd Every Wednesday & Friday throughout Lent. It were to be wishd the Parishioners wd. send their Children & Servts. duly
- X. The Sacrament administerd at Edwinstow twice at Easter upon 2 Sevl. Sundays, as also at Whitsuntide and Xmass— Number of Coñunicts. in Edwinstow 150, Clypston 40 & at Budbye 88, Of these abt 90 recd. last Easter—
- XI. Open & timely Warning giv'n of ye Sacramt. on the Sunday before it is administer'd, They do not usually send in their

\* See Appendix A. s.v. Ollerton.



Names as may be requir'd, I have not refus'd ye Sacrament to any one——

As to these last mentiond Articles I find no reason to Object to any thing.

JOHN MEYRICK Vicar of Edwinstow

V. JOHN MEYRICK. Inst. 21st Sept., 1739. D. Llandaff, 26th Feb., 1734; P. Llandaff, 29th Feb., 1735. Trin. Hall, Camb. Scho., 1726; LL.B., 1731. In Llandaff Subscription Book, at his deacons' ordination he is described as B.A.; at his priests' ordination as "batchelour of Laws." (See *Carburton*, *Ollerton*, and *Palethorpe*).

A.C. ALEXANDER PENN. D. Chester, 9th June, 1734; P. Lich. and Cov., 21st Sept., 1735. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1732.

C.W. : John Ealam  
Thomas Brock  
Samuel Denton.

**57. Elksley, [Elkesley]  
Retford.**

- I. In the Parish of Elksley are 42 Families; Of these three Families are Anabaptists. Ten of them are Farmers; the Rest are Labourers & petty Tradesmen, Such as Weavers, Taylors &c. There is only one Person that has abt 60 or 70li a Year; the rest are Tenants to the Duke of Newcastle & to that person, whose Name is Sharpe.
- II. We have no Meeting House; the Anabaptists going to another Town to Meeting. One of the Anabaptists is a Farmer, another a Taylor, the 3d a Labourer.
- III. We have no publick or Charity School; but a School in the Neighbouring Parish, to which the Children of Elksley are free. That School was founded by a Steward of the Earl of Clare (Heir of wch Family is the present Duke of Newcastle) for the teaching of ye Children of Six Parishes, viz. Gamston, Elksley, West-Drayton, Mill-town Bevercoates & Botthom-sal. English, Writing & Accompts, & commonly Latin to some is taught.
- IV. We have neither Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment. Nothing is left for the Repair of our Church. A Rate or An Assessmt. at 4d p pound commonly answers all Occasional Expences for a Year.
- V. I do not reside in my House, it being a very mean one; let with a Croft of half an Acre of Ground at 18s p Year. And the Oldest person in the Parish remembers no Minister to ha' liv'd in it. I acquainted the late A-Bishop with this & he has granted me a Dispensation to be absent, or to live at a neighbouring Town, three Miles of, upon my Assuring him Care shoud be taken of its Repairs. There are only 4 poor Rooms in it. The Walls are studded & daubed wth clay.
- VI. I attend on all Occasions; having no other Cure but a Grammar School, at East-Retford three little Miles from

- Elksley of which School I have been Master almost 35 Years, & Curate & Vicar of Elksley near 25 Years.
- VII. All the Rest of my Parishioners, but the Anabaptists, come constantly to Church & w<sup>n</sup> there is a Confirmation, they take Care to come to it. viz. Such as are of a competent Age, 13 Years old being the youngest I allow to present themselves.
- VIII. I read Prayers & Preach every forenoon & read Prayers again in the Afternoon every Sunday, & on Such Holy-days, as I think there will be any Company at Prayers; All the Families living by Farming & Hand Labour, & petty Trades.
- IX. I catechize about 3 Months in the Year, & read a Lecture on Some Part of the Catechism to the Congregation, after the Children have repeated it, Each Sunday generally. I have compos'd 26 Lectures on the Catechism, taking Example from my very Learned & judicious Brother Dr. Busby's Design in Lincoln Shire.
- X. The Sacrament is administred at Christmas once, twice at Easter, Once at WhitSunday, & once at Michaelmas. The Number of Communicants at Easter last were between 50 & 60, both Days. At my first going, I order'd the Clark, yt then was to take an Acct every Communion; but the Clark we now ha', is but a poor Writer, but as good as we coud get. The Sallary being under 20 shill. a Year, & none but this Man wou'd accept the Place.
- XI. I give always open Notice a Week for the most part before I administer the Sacramt. It has not been customary for the Parishioners to Send in ther. Names. Besides Notice, I frequently preach the Sunday before on that Subject.

My Ld,

Elksley Living has been held both by me & my Predecessors by Licence, as being but of little Value, but about 4 Years ago, I was forc'd to take out the Broad Seal, by a Neighbouring Curate, who attempted to deprive me of it. This is the Difficulty I ha' labour'd under. I have one thing to acquaint Yor Grace wth. The Approbation of the Arch Bishop of York is to be had by every new Master & Usher of our School at Retford; & if there is not an Acct of ye Orders relating to It in the Registry Office, upon Notice I shall transmit Such a Copy as I have, & subscribe my self in ye mean time,

My Ld, Yor most dutiful & obedient Servt  
East Retford, HEN: STEVENSON.  
June ye 29th. 1743.

V. HENRY STEVENSON. Inst. 27th Dec., 1739. Disp. for Non-Res. by the Archbishop, 9th Feb., 1739. D. York, 21st Sept., 1718; P. York, 20th Sept., 1719. Literate. At his Ordination as Deacon his surname is spelled "Stephenson"; at his Priests' Ordination it is spelled as above. (See *Retford East*).

C.W. : John Wood  
Edward Thompson.

The Archbishop notes "Master of Retford Sch. who is now Incumbent, and the Usher, are to be approved by the Archbishop."



**58. Eaton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. About Twenty Families in the Parish. No Dissenters, but one Woman, who is an Anabaptist.
- II. No Meeting House.
- III. No Publick School.
- IV. None.
- V. I do not reside Personally upon my Cure, being Domestick Chaplain to the Rt Hon:ble the Earl of Exeter, in whose Family I reside.
- VI. My Curate resides on my Living of Headon, wch is contiguous. I allow him for serving both Forty Pounds a Year.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in the Church every Lord's Day. It is not perform'd twice, because my Curate has the Care of another Church.
- IX. The Children are instructed in the Catechism in Lent. The Parishioners duly send them.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in the Church Five times in a Year. We have about thirty Communicants, of whom Twenty usually receive. At Easter last Twenty five received the Sacrament.
- XI. Open and timely warning is given: The Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any one.

J: E: BELLINGER Vicr: of Eaton.

V. JOHN EDWARD BELLINGER. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 18th March, 1741. D. Lincoln, 31st May, 1724; P. Lincoln, 25th Sept., 1726. Dom. Chapl. to the Earl of Exeter. L.R.C.P., 1708.] St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1723. (See *Headon-with-Upton*).

C.W. : Peter Booth

**59. ffarndon,  
Newark.**

- I. about fifty, of wch. two families are Roman Catholics—
- II. None of any sort
- III. None
- IV. None
- V. I Reside at Newark, wch is situated between both Churches, Balderton & Farndon, & a mile distant from each, upon account of my ill state of health.
- VI. I have none, but resort thither upon all occasions to do ye duty my self.
- VII. 1. None  
2. Some few.
- VIII. once every Sunday, at both Churches, wch have been always serv'd by one Minister upon account of their poverty—
- IX. 1st once every year  
2d They do.

- X. four times every year, of wch Easter is one, There are about fourscore of age to communicate, but seldom above forty receive at a time. The same Number to the best of my remembrance did communicate at Easter Last.
- XI. I give notice the Sunday before: but they send not in their names as requir'd.
2. None have ever offer'd themselves as Communicants that were I humbly conceive disqualify'd according to the rubrick, so have rejected none

V. WILLIAM BRODHURST. Inst. 25th Apr., 1740. D. Chester, 23rd Dec., 1733; P. Chester, 22nd Dec., 1734. B.N.C. Oxon. B.A., 1732. (See *Balderton*).

C.W. : James Hilton  
Samuel Abbott.

**60. ffledborrow,  
Newark.**

- I. There are Eleven Families in my Parish all wch come to Church except one of the Romish perswasion consisting of a Widdow one Son & two Daughters
- II. We have no Licenced nor any kind of Meeting House in my Parish
- III. We have no School in my Parish.
- IV. We have no Alms House nor any Poor Person in my Parish
- V. I have been constantly Resident upon my living in the Parsonage House which I built upwards of thirty one years
- VI. I never kept a Curate because I have been constantly ready to do the Duty my self.
- VII. I know of None in my Parish but wt are lawfully baptized nor any but who are confirmed being of competent age
- VIII. I read the full service of the Church & preach once every Sunday & upon other Days appointed by the Church or Goverment (*sic*) when I have Congregation
- IX. When I have five or six Children I hear them say the Catechise (*sic*) & explain it to them afterwards by taking a part every Sunday in the afternoon till I have gone thro the whole Catechise either in Lent or betwixt Easter & Whitsuntide
- X. I administer the Sacrament Seven times a year constantly We have about forty six Communicants about twenty nine or thirty received the Sacrament last Easter
- XI. I always give Notice a Week before a Sacrament My Parishioners Never do send in their Names I have had no occasion to refuse the Sacrament to any
- I have met wth none
- I know none
- I have discovered none
- I have none

According to your Request I have faithfully answered all yt was required And I wish your Grace long life & Health yt



you may Govern your Clergy with pleasure and satisfaction wch  
is the hearty Prayer of your most obedient & humble servant  
to comãd WM SWEETAPLE

Fledbrough 7br 17th 1743

R. WILLIAM SWEETAPLE. Inst. 29th June, 1712. (Exhibits Bk. says 1711,  
but this is an error); D. Oxon., 16th March, 1711; P. York, 29th June, 1712.  
Ball. Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1709; M.A., 1711.

C.W. : William Minett.

# 61. ffiningley, Retford.

- I. There are about ninety Family's in my Parish and no Dissenters of any sort amongst them.
- II. There is no Licenced or other meeting-House in the Parish.
- III. There is no Charity School Endow'd. there is a Publick School House erected on one side of the Church-Yard in which the Clerk of the Parish teaches children to read, write, and accompt and instructs them Carefully in the Church Cat-echihism (*sic*), as I find upon Examination of them.
- IV. There is no Alms-House or Hospital, but certain Lands are left to ye use of ye Poor to ye value of thirty shillings pr Ann: which money is distributed amongst them Every Easter Monday, according to the Direction of the Vestry Meeting.
- V. I reside Personally upon my Cure, and in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know of none that Come to Church unbaptized but Some there are, of Competent age, who are not Confirmed.
- VIII. The Publick Service is performed twice every Lords-Day.
- IX. Children are Catechised Every Sunday in the Church During the time of Lent, but no servants come with them to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords-Supper is administred in my Church four times in ye year. there about (*sic*) sixty Communicants, whereof forty Communicated last Easter.
- XI. I give open and timely Warning of the Sacramt. before it is administred. the Parishioners do not send in their Names as the Rubrick directs. but I know them very well and have never had any reason to refuse the Sacrament to any one of them.

I am Your Grace's Most Obedient Humble Servant  
Finningley Sept. 12. 1743. GEO: FAVELL

R. GEORGE FAVELL. Inst. and lic. to pr. 12th Ap., 1733. D. Peterborough, 8th June, 1718; P. Lincoln, 20th Sept., 1719. Magd. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1714.

C.W. : Henry Bingley  
Benjamin Eyre  
Francis Kilham.

**62. ffarnsfield,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. There are about sixty Familys There are two Familys of Quakers about 6 in Number
- II. There is a Quaker's Meeting-House licens'd There are about 8 or ten meet once a fortnight there is seldome any Teaching or Holding forth.\*
- III. There is no publick School endow'd here
- IV. There is not any Alms-House, Hospital or charitable Endowmt. nor any Lands &c left for the Repair of ye Church
- V. I do not reside up (*sic*) my Vicarage I reside at Southwel, being a Vicar-choral of that Collegiate Church.
- VI. I have no Curate I officiate my self.
- VII. I do not know of any.
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd once every Lds Days (*sic*) sometimes in ye Morning & sometimes in ye Afternoon, the other part of ye Day I officiate at another Parish.
- IX. Children & Servant (*sic*) come to be catechis'd in Lent being ye usual Time.
- X. The Sacramt of ye Lord's Supper is administred five times a year, the Coñunicants who commonly attend are about 50 or 60, there were about that Number last Easter
- XI. I give Notice the Sunday before according as the Rubrick directs; 'tis not ye Custom here to give in their Names: I have not had any reason to refuse any One the Sacramt.

I have met wth no Difficultys

As for the Canons & Discipline of ye Church I am very well satisfied about them, & am perswaded that any Alteration at this time wou'd not tend to the Interest of the Church.

I don't know of any Abuses among ye ecclesiastical Officers.

V. SAMUEL BIRD. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 20th May, 1725. D. York, 24th May, 1719; P. York, 4th June, 1721. Jesus Coll. Camb. B.A., 1717; M.A., 1722. Vicar Choral of Southwell Minster. (See *Halloughton*).

C.W. : Henry Smith  
Richard Freeman

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**63. Gotham,  
Bingham.**

- I. —I have sixty four Familys in ys. Parish,—not one Recusant, or Dissenter of any Denominatn.—[It may not be amiss, tho' somewhat impertinent, to observe, yt my Dear Father, who was inducted into ys Rectory, (I think) in ye Year 1674 or 5, succeeded one Mr Moses Foxcroft. (tho' not immediatly) Son of Jn. Foxcroft, who was inducted into ys Rectory 1619 & continued Rectr till after ye Restoration. He was a Man of some Learning, & one of ye Assembly of Divines, chim'd in wth the Iniquity of ye Times, & left the Parish in a most

\* See Appendix C.



wretched Condition as to Conformity. My Father liv'd to about 1710, & being a man of good Spirit, had in a great measure quell'd & laid the ill Spirit & Leaven, before I came.]

- II. —consequently I have nothing to say here.
- III. —There is here no endow'd Publick or Charity School. neveryeless by others & my own Encouragemt. all ye Children in ye Parish are taught to read ye H: Bible, & are instructed in the Principles of ye Xn. Religion, according to ye Doctrine of the Church of England, & are mostly brought duly to Church on ye Lord's Day & Holy Days; and this ever since I came hither, wch. was in year 1710.
- IV. —We have some Grass ground, wch. goes sometimes by ye Name of the Church-Land or more commonly, by yt of Common-Grass; & is let yearly to ye best Bidder; & the money arising thence is annually, I believe, appropriated duly to the Use of the Repairs of the Church & other Expences, in the Church Warden's Levy; & this immemorially. We have likewise fifty two Pounds, wch is put out on Bonds; the Interest whereof is yearly distributed; some Part of it among the poorest sort, & the rest of it, in putting out Apprentices.
- V. —I constantly have, & do, in the Parsonage House;—[wch indeed is a very great one, as yr Gr— may be pleas'd to observe by the Terrier given in; the greatest I believe in yr Diocese, & probably in yr Province, according to the value of ye Living; whose Gleab is small, & the whole Rents of the Parish not amounting, in the utmost extent, to 600£ per anm, exclusive of the Rectory. I have six score windows, in the dwelling House, 8 Stair Cases, & not one good one; an hundred Doors made of Sawn Boards, on ye Premisses.]
- VI. —I never had a Curate yet, but old age & infirmitys creeping on me, I doubt I must soon get an Assistant.
- VII. —I know of none; & to the best of my Knowledge, I think there is but one young girl of competent Age now un-confirm'd.
- VIII. —twice every Lord's Day, except I have chanc'd to be abroad sometimes, on the acct. of having had 2 very good Women but sickly wives; or when I have made an Out for 2 or 3 Sundays in a year for my own Health's sake, or have assisted some Friend & neighbour, one Part of the Day.
- IX. —Here I cannot answer so well as I cd. wish—still I can assure yr Gr— yt the Children at School are taught their Catechism almost every Day they are there, by their Master, my Clark; & yt I my Self have frequently examin'd them & explain'd it to them, at Church, tho' not so oft, as I shd. have done, of late. In these licencious times few Masters have a right notion of their Duty to their Servants, or make ym pay a due regard to their Minister.
- X. —Six times at least yearly. The Number of Commts. according to the Canon is near an hundred and eighty. The number

yt receivd the H. Sacramt in ye year 1742 was but 198, & those on Easter Day last, & the Sunday following, but 58. God encrease their number, & bring them to a better Sense of their Duty & Interest.

XI. —I constantly read one of the Exhortatns. in ye Commn. Office, the Sunday before. No Parishioners send in their Names. That Law seems to be laid aside by Disuse: I know not where it is or has been practic'd of late, save by Mr. John Westly abroad, & I doubt he made an ill use of it.<sup>1</sup> I have rejected none from ye H. Sacramt., charitably hoping they repent them of their Sins, & make good Resolutions of amendment for ye future.

None, but what by God's Blessing, I have happily surmounted.  
X<sup>2</sup>

I hope yr Gr— will hear of no just ground of Complaint in this part of yr Gr—'s Diocess, wth. regard to Ecclesiastil. Jurisdiction, i.e. the exercise thereof.

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Those marked thus, X I humbly beg Leave to take Notice of in my Lettr. to yr. Grace, wch. I durst not have presum'd to have medled wth., had I not been encouraged thereto by yr. Graces great Condescension (*sic*) in requiring the Thoughts of yr. inferiour Brethren, for ye good End propos'd.

WILL: BRIDGES—De Gotham.

R. WILLIAM BRIDGES. Inst. 5th June, 1710. D. York, 3rd June, 1705; P. York, 4th June, 1710. Proctor in Convocation for the Archdeaconry of Nottingham. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1699; M.A., 1703; Fellow, 1703-10.

C.W. : Joseph Sharp

John Sharp.

The Archbishop notes "Rectory has 120 windows, 8 staircases, 100 doors."

#### 64. Grandby, Bingham.

- I. 47 Families. no Dissenters
- II. No Meeting House
- III. No endow'd Charity School
- IV. No Alms House &c—
- V. Mr. Bradfield Vicar Resides at Peterborough, & is Precentr., of ye Cathedral Church, there.
- VI. The Curate, Resides, lives in ye Vicgē. House, his Allowance 28℥ pr. Añ, & is Licensed—
- VII. No,
- VIII. Service once a Sunday; Hose (in ye County of Leicester) being annex'd to it is serv'd ye other part of ye Sunday
- IX. All Lent, ye Children are, Catechised & come very duely.

1 The allusion is to John Wesley's attempts to revive Church discipline when he was in Georgia in 1736.

2 The rector has marked some of the additional questions thus.



- X. The Sacrament is Administred three Times a year, about a Hundred Coñunicants, & about 30 of them last Easter.
- XI. Timely Notice is given, it is not ye Customary way to give in ye Names of Coñunicants. ye Sacrament has not been refus'd to any one in my time

V. THOMAS BRADFIELD. Inst. 14th Apr., 1720. D. Peterborough, 20th Sept., 1713; P. York, 12th June, 1715. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1712; M.A., 1716; Fellow 1716-24. Precentor of Peterborough Cathedral.

A.C. JOHN BRETON. Adm. 7th Sept., 1718. D. Linc., 22nd June, 1718; P. Linc., 20th Sept., 1730. Ordained D. as "literate, Magd. Coll. Camb." At his Priests' Ordination, described as B.A., Magd. Coll. Camb.

C.W. : George Johnson  
Richard Warriner.

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65. Godling [Gedling],  
Nottingham.

- I. I have 130 odd Families. There are not above four or five Dissenters. And those Presbiterians.
- II. There is no Meeting House in my Parish.
- III. There are no Charity-Schools
- IV. There are no Alms-Houses nor Hospitals, nor Lands left for the Repair of ye Church; only a small Charity distributed to the Poor by myself & the Chief of the Parishioners at Christmas
- V. I do reside, and in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I know of none that come to Church, who have not been Baptised. And I believe there may be some few of a Competent Age, who have not been confirmed, not with standing all ye Care I have taken to persuade 'em to it.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read twice every Sunday, & once of (*sic*) Holy days. I preach twice every Sunday from Easter to Michaelmas.
- IX. I catechise in ye Church every Sunday from Michaelmas to Easter & all ye year instruct ye Children and young People once a week at Home. There are some in my Parish, whom it is not in my Power to persuade to send their Children & Servants.
- X. I administer ye Sacramt. of ye Lord's Supper at Easter, Whits:, Michaelmas, and Christmas, & that Servants as well as Masters may have it in their Power to come each Time, I always administer two Sundays together, which make eight times in ye year. I have about 270 Communicants. There are from 80 to a 100, who usually receive. We had at Easter last 97. Communicants.
- XI. I do give publick Warning in the Church the Sunday before I administer; I have not required my Parishoners to send in their Names, knowing ym. all & it not having been ye Custom

of the Parish, but shall do it for the future, if yr. Grace is pleased to require it. I have never refused the Sacrament to any one.

I have not.

V. RICHARD CHENEVIX. Inst. and lic. to pr. 5th Nov., 1734. D. Lond., 24th May, 1719; P. Lond., 10th Sept., 1721. Peterhouse, Camb. Scho. 1714; B.A., 1716; M.A., 1732; D.D., 1744. 1719 Dom. Chapl. to 2nd Earl of Scarboro; 1728, Chapl. to Philip, 4th Earl of Chesterfield. 20th May, 1745, after some opposition from the King, he was nominated to See of Killaloe; Cons. at Dublin, 28th July, 1745; 15th Jan., 1745, tr. to Waterford and Lismore. See *D.N.B.* iv, 184, 5.

C.W. : William Holmes  
Jervas Martin  
John Selby.

R. The Same. Inst. 6th Nov., 1734.

**66. Gumalston, [Gonalston]  
Nottingham.**

- I. twenty and five Families Not One Dissenter of any Sort
- II. None
- III. None
- IV. there is a place called the Spital where is a kind of a Barn called the Chappel but no other Building. there is likewise a Quit Rent to ye value of six Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence paid yearly to the Rector who is Master of the Hospital.
- V. My dwelling is at Courtenhall in the County of Northampton. the late A Bishop was pleased to dispence with my Residence in regard I hold the Living in Trust for a Minor. Who is now in Orders.
- VI. I have a Residing Curate to whom I allow an annual Stipend of thirty Pounds, he was licens'd to the Cure by the late A Bishop.
- VII. None that I know.
- VIII. Twice every Lord's Day
- IX. The Curate catechises the Children during Lent
- X. thrice. at the three great Festivals of our Church. At Whitsuntide last when it was administred by my self twenty and nine Communicants were present
- XI. Notice is given the preceeding Lord's Day when the Sacramt. is to be administer'd the Lord's Day following.

JNO. DEAN Rector of Gonalston

R. JOHN DEAN. Inst. and lic. to pr., 5th Sept., 1740. Master and Keeper of the Hosp. of S. Mary Magdalen, Broad Bush. R. Courtenhall, Northants.  
A.C. CHARLES CLARKE. Lic. as D., 23rd May, 1741. D. Peterborough, 24th Feb., 1740.

C.W. : John Shaw  
John Walker

Abp. notes "Rector has Mastership of Hospital, taught by a Minister from Nottingham."



**67. Greasley,  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are about an hundred Families forty of 'em are Presbiterians<sup>1</sup>
- II. There is one licens'd Meeting House for the Presbyterians—They assemble once in a Fortnight—A Dissenting Minister of Nottingham teaches them—
- III. There is no publick School endowd—But a Schoolmaster teaches his Schollars the church Catechism and brings them duly to Church
- IV. There is not any Almshouse or Hospital—Sir Robert Sutton the Impropiator gives ten pound a Year to the Vicar
- V. The Vicar resides personally upon his Cure
- VI. The Vicar lives in the Vicaridge House
- VII. All that come to Church are baptiz'd All that are of a competent Age are confirmd
- VIII. Publick Service is read upon holy-days and once every Lords-day—The Vicar for a Maintenance Preaches every Sunday in the Afternoon at a neighbouring Church
- IX. The Vicar Catechises in Lent, then the Parishioners send their children & Servants to be instructed—
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administer'd on Easter Sunday, Whitsunday and on Christmass-Day
- XI. The Vicar gives timely Notice of the Sacrament—I am well acquainted with the Persons that intend to communicate. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one

The Questions are truly and directly answerd by me

JOHN COOPER Vicar of Greisly—Sept. 12. 1743

V. JOHN COOPER. Inst. 9th July, 1728. Previously lic. as A.C. there, 11th Oct., 1726. D. Hereford, 19th May, 1695; P. York, 4th June, 1699. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1694. (See *Thorpe-in-the-Glebes* and *Eastwood*).

C.W. : John Pogson

Joseph Read

**68. Gamston,  
Retford.**

- I. There are about 36. Families in this Parish; 3. of these are dissenting from the Church; & are all Anabaptists.<sup>2</sup>
- II. There is but one Licens'd Meeting house in the Parish; besides extraordinary Fasts before Dipping, they assemble twice every Sunday, & every Wednesday evening; the Ordinary Preacher is Joseph Jefferys, a Farmer of this Parish.
- III. We have no endowed School within the Parish, but the Parishioners have the Privilege to send their children to the publick School by Houghten Parck.
- IV. There is no other Charitable endowment, but four pounds, left by two different Farmers, the interest of which is every year regularly paid to the poor.

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix B.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix C.

- V. The Rector does constantly reside in the Parsonage House.
- VI. There is no other Curate in the Parish.
- VII. I know of no Persons, who come to Church, but what are baptized; nor any above fourteen, who are not confirmed.
- VIII. Publick Service is duly performed every Lord's day, at ten in the Morning, & three in the afternoon.
- IX. The Children & Servants are Catechised during Lent every Lord's day, & I know of no Church people, who keep them from it.
- X. The Lord's Supper is administer'd four times a year; There never were under 20. Sometimes near 40. Last Easter, to the best of my remembrance, about 30. Communicants.
- XI. I always read the Admonition, & Sometimes preach upon the Subject, the Sunday before the Sacrament is administred; I had no new Communicants, since I come (*sic*) to this Parish; nor any of the Cases mentioned in this Article.
1. The more ignorant our Dissenters are, the more are they Zealous to make Proselytes; when they can prevail with any Person, they make them generally so obstinate, that they will give no ear to any advice, or argument!
  2. I could wish, Some expressions in the Service for the 30th of January were mitigated; particularly as to those Passages of Scripture, which are only applicable to the Sufferings of our Saviour.
  3. I have no particular complaint as to this Article; I only wish, when there is a Sermon to be preached on Extraordinary Fast days, we had Earlier Notice, for a due Preparation for it.
  4. What I am going to say is, I doubt, odious, if not offensive & Scandalous to Some among us; but as the Apostles themselves used to go to Heathen Temples; I cannot but think, it might be of use, if we were allowed, to be more conversant with Dissenters, both in publick, & private, we might have a better Opportunity, to convince them, that we do not look upon Forms & Ceremonies as Essentials, but only as helps & assistances to true Religion; which, where they have nothing in them either Idolatrous, or Superstitious, nor against Scripture, ought to be complied with for Decency's & order's Sake.

JOHN HENRY OTT, Rectr of Gamston.

Augst. the 24th 1743.

R. JOHN HENRY OTT. Inst. 15th May, 1839. D. Canterbury, 4th June, 1721; P. Canterbury, 25th June, 1721. Disp. to hold also R. of Cromwell, by Abp. of Canterbury, 11th May, 1739. M.A. by Archbishop (Wake) of Canterbury, 13th Jan., 1721 (Act Book, vol. 6, p. 394); Preb. of Whittington and Berkswych at Lichfield, coll. 12th March, 1722; Preb. of the 3rd Stall at Peterborough, coll. 25th Nov., 1730; He was also R. of Blackmanstone, Kent (dio. Canterbury), coll. 26th June, 1721; Chaplain to John, Earl of Hyndford, 1739; Librarian at Lambeth to Archbp. Wake from 1718 apparently, to the Archbishop's death in 1737; a Six Preacher in Canterbury Cathedral nom. 21st Sept., 1728. (See *Cromwell*.)

C.W. : William Pottinger  
William Pirkin.



69. [Grove,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

Answers return'd by Robert Wright Rector of Grove to the Paper of Questions sent to him by the most Revd: Father in God Thomas Lord Arch Bishop of York— — —

To the 1st Question

I answer, There are 22 Families in my Parish & no Dissenters.

2. Quest: I have no meeting House in my Parish.

3 Qu: No publick or Charity School.

4. Qu: There are two Alms Houses in the Parish, & the Revenues belonging to them are apply'd according to the Intent of the Founder. No Lands or Tenements have been left for the Repair of our Church or to any other pious Use.

5. Qu: I reside upon my Cure & in ye Parsonage House

6. Qu: I have no Curate

7. Qu: I do not know of any unbaptiz'd Person in my Parish, nor any of a competent Age that is not confirm'd.

8. Qu: The publick Service is duly perform'd twice every Lords Day.

9. Qu: I began to catechize & expound the Catechism before last Lent & ended on Trinity Sunday.—

10. Qu: The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred in my Church on Palm Sunday & Easter Day, of (*sic*) Whitsunday, at Michaelmas, & on Christmas Day. I have 52. Persons of Age to be communicants about 20 usually receive. At Easter last 26 received.

11. Qu: On the Sunday preceding every Sacrament I read the Exhortation. It is not customary for my Parishioners to send in their Names. I have never refused the Sacrament to any Person.

For the rest I have nothing to say

R. ROBERT WRIGHT. Inst. and lic. to pr. 18th June, 1737. D. St. David's, 31st May, 1713; P. York, 25th Sept., 1715. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1712.

C.W. : Thomas Butler  
John Webster.

70. Greenley upon the Hill, [Gringley]  
Retford.

I. About 90 Families, and no Dissenters of any Kind.

II. No Meeting-House.

III. At present there's no School, but the Children are sent to School in the neighbouring Towns.

IV. There's no Alms-House or Hospital, nor are there any Lands left for the Repair of the Church. There is a Yearly Sum of £3 : 11s : 00d left for the Use of the Poor which is duly apply'd by the Minister & Church Wardens who are the Trustees thereof. There's a Close lying at Rampton in this County letten at £4 : 00s : 00d p annum which was given by

Will abt. 20 years agoe to the Minister of Gringley and his Successors for ever.

- V. I reside at Walkingham which is about a mile and half distant from Gringley on the Hill.
  - VI. I have no Curate.
  - VII. I don't know of any such
  - VIII. I read the publick Service here once every Sunday either in the Forenoon or Afternoon, and the same at Walkingham
  - IX. It is my Custom to catechise here in every Week during Lent, and likewise to read Prayers. The Parishioners send their Children pretty constantly, but I can't say their Servants, neither can I easily prevail upon 'em to do it; it being a Farming-Town, where they have constant Employmt. for their Servts.
  - X. It is administer'd four times in the Year. I don't justly know the Number of those that are old enough to receive the Sacramt. but I think we have generally between 40 & 50 that do communicate, and at Easter last we had near eighty. There are, I think, about 220 (reckoning Servants) above 16 years old.
  - XI. Due Warning is always given of the Sacramt. As to sending in the Names, I found the Practice, when I came here, entirely disus'd, and, I believe, it will be difficult to introduce it—I have not yet refus'd any one the Sacramt.
- I am, My Lord, Yr Graces most Dutiful Humble Servant  
J: WADDINGTON Minister.

Aug: 30th. 1743

V. JOSHUA WADDINGTON. Adm. 1st Feb., 1734. (See *Walkeringham*).  
C.W. : Joseph Smith  
William Johnson.

# **71. Hickling, Bingham.**

- I. Ninety Families. Only two persons Dissenters, being Presbyterians.
- II. No Meeting House of any Sort.
- III. A School endowed wth. fifteen Shillings a year. The Number of Children taught between thirty & forty. Due Care is taken to instruct them in the Principles of the Christian Religion &c.
- IV. No Alms House, Hospital &c
- V. I do reside personally & in the Parsonage House.
- VI. No Curate
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in the Church on all Holy-days; & duly performed twice every Lord's Day.
- IX. During the Time of Lent. The Parishioners duly send their Children & Servants &c.



- X. At Christmas, Easter, & Whitsontide. The Number of Communicants in the Parish about two Hundred. Thirty, forty or fifty usually receive. At Easter last thirty two (as I remember) did communicate.
- XI. I do give open & timely Warning &c The Parishioners do not send in their Names: That Practice had been discontinued before my Time: I do intend to renew it.

In relation to these Particulars I have nothing to offer to Your Grace's Consideration that is worthy of it.

I am, My Lord, Your's (*sic*) Grace's most dutifull & most obedient Servant

JOHN WARDE

R. JOHN WARDE. Inst. 26th Sept., 1730. D. Ely, 20th Sept., 1713; P. Lond., 12th June, 1715. Queen's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1708; Fellow, 1710-33; M.A., 1712; B.D. 1721. Proctor in Convocation for the Archdeaconry of Nottingham.

Late A.C. WRIGGAN WEBSTER. Adm. 22nd Sept., 1736.

C.W. : John Colishaw  
John Morris.

## 72. Holme Pierpoint, Bingham.

- I. In the Parish of Holme Pierrepont with Adbolton annexed there are twenty five Families; in these there is one Man who is an Independant, and one Woman who is a Papist. The Parish of Adbolton was annexed to Holme Pierrepont by Archbishop Sharp in the year 1707, there is now no House or Parishioner belonging to that Parish. There is a Church still standing but ruinous.
- II. There is not any licens'd or other Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. There is not any Publick or Charity School in this Parish.
- IV. There is not in this Parish any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment. There have not any Lands or Tenements been left for the repair of our Church or to any other pious Uses.
- V. I do reside personally in my Parsonage House
- VI. I have not a Residing Curate.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church in this Parish that are not Baptized, or that being Baptized and of a competent Age are not confirmed, excepting some few who receiv'd the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper without being first confirmed.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in this Parish Church twice every Lord's Day, unless I am prevented by some accidental business, which does not often happen. I also read the Publick Service upon the chief Holy-days of the Church, and upon Fast Days & Thanksgiving Days appointed by Parliament or by His Majesty.

- IX. I catechise in this Parish Church six Sundays in the Summer time after the second Lesson at Evening Service. The Parishioners do send their Children & Servants who have not learn'd their Catechism to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in this Church six times in the year; The Number of Communicants in this Parish is about seventy, of which about thirty usually receive each time. I believe near fifty communicated at the two Sacraments at Easter last.
- XI. I do give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administered. It has not been customary for the Parishioners to send in their names to the Minister. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

SCROPE BERDMORE

Rector of Holme Pierrepont with Adbolton annexed.

R. SCROPE BERDMORE. Inst., lic. to pr. and disp. for non-res. for a year; 5th Aug., 1740. D. Bath and Wells, 23rd Dec., 1733; P. Bath and Wells, 6th Jan., 1733. Merton Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1728; M.A., 1732; B.D., 1738; D.D., 1742. (See *Cropwell Bishop* and *S. Mary's, Nottingham*).

C.W. : John Jennison

Henry Morris.

Adbolton C.W. : Richard Flinders (reported dead).

### 73. Hawksworth, Bingham.

- I. Sixteen Small Families Not any Dissenter
- II. Not any kind of Meeting House or Dissenter in my Parish.
- III. No publick or Charity School
- IV. None.
- V. I do not reside upon my Cure here tho' I am Patron of ye Living myself because I attend the Duty of my other Living wch I have at Todwick in Yorkshire under & from the Duke of Leeds my Patron there who requires me to attend the Duty of it my Self.
- VI. My Curate Resides at Carcolston a Mile & an half from my Cure at Hawksworth and was Licens'd at the Request of my Parish by ye Late Arch Bishop of York to serve the Cure from thence. He has allow'd 25ll pr Añ & Surplus (*sic*) Fees
- VII. I know of None
- VIII. It is duly perform'd in the forenoon on one Sunday and in the afternoon on Another by my Curate and it can't well be otherwise by him because he attends ye Duty of ye Parish of Carcolston besides my Cure and it is what the People have been used to ever since & before I had the Living and are quite Satisfy'd wth it.
- IX. The Children & Servants are Catechis'd during the time of Lent every year
- X. Four times every year betwixt thirty & forty Communicants  
Some Receive at one time Some at Another sometimes more



sometimes less about Twenty Receiv'd when I gave it there last myself and I believe about Twenty Might Receive last Easter

XI. The Exhortation is read the Sunday before It is not usual to send in their Names none has been refus'd the Sacrament

Thus, My Lord, I've truly Answer'd Your Lordships Questions as propos'd & specify'd above; as to these Latter I've nothing to say at present but that I am Your Grace's Faithfull & Obedient Servant

HAMMOND TURNER—Rector of Hawksworth.

R. HAMMOND TURNER. Inst. 15th Feb., 1733. D. Linc., 10th April, 1728; P. Ely, 2nd Aug., 1730. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1725; Fellow, 1728-36; M.A., 1729. Chaplain to John, Earl of Rothes, 1736. (See *Todwick*).

A.C. ROBERT MANLEY. Lic. 17th Sept., 1736. D. Nov., 14th March, 1730; P. Chester, 5th March, 1731. C.C.C. Camb. B.A., 1729. (See *Carcolston*).

C.W. : Thomas Abbott  
John Olliver.

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**74. Houghton, [Hawton]  
Newark.**

- I. Nine Families & not one Dissenter of any Sort.
- II. I have none of any Sort.
- III. There is none
- IV. There is no Alms House, Hospitall or other charitable endowment, no Lands or Tenements for ye Repairs of ye Church or other pious uses.
- V. I doe not reside personally but I reside att Kelham.
- VI. My Son is my Curate, but Resident at Averham his other Curacy by Leave of his late Grace I allow him 30l per annū.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. It is duly perform'd once every Sunday either morning or afternoon
- IX. Once a week during Lent
- X. 4 Times a year att least, there are abt. 20 Coñunicants, & abt 10 coñunicate at a time & abt. 15 at Easter
- XI. Open & Timely (*sic*) is Given of ye Sacrament before it is administr'd but their names are seldom sent in as required, I have refus'd ye Sacrament to none.

JA: NAISH Rect.

R. JAMES NAISH. Inst. 13th June, 1697. D. Llandaff, 28th Feb., 1696; P. York, 13th June, 1697. Jesus Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1694; M.A., 1697. (See *Kelham*).

A.C. RICHARD NAISH. Adm. 24th Feb., 1732. D. Lincoln, 20th Dec., 1730; P. Lincoln, 18th Feb., 1732. Wadham Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1728; M.A., 1731. Also R. of Batcombe with Spargrove, Somerset, 1741. (See *Averham*).

C.W. : John Deeping

**75. Hockerton & Kirklington,  
Newark.**

(Not written on the printed Form).

Hockerton—July 12. 1743

May it Please Your Grace,

To the Paper of Questions, issued to the Clergy, at your Visitation, I return, I hope a Clear and Satisfactory Answer, as Follows.

To the 1st The Parish of Hockerton consists of Thirteen Small Familys, in wch. are no Dissenters of any Denomination.

2d We have nothing yt. bears any Relation to these Quaeres.

3d We have no School. Those that have any Teaching go to Learn in the Neighbouring Parishes, & are taught their Catechism by their Parents or School masters.

4th We have nothing relating to these Enquirys.

5th I reside Personally in my Parsonage House.

6th I perform all Offices myself.

7th. I know of no Such as are here Enquired after.

8th. The Service is performd once every Lords Day. My Rectory of Hockerton is about Sixty Pounds p ann, I serve it alternately with Kirklington which, Taxes paid, is Sixteen pound p. an. An Income which I hope your Grace will not think overmuch for a Clergyman, Even in Celibacy, to Live with a little Decency, & some Sort of Independency.

9th I take the Liberty to Catechise between Easter and Whitsuntide rather than in Lent, the latter Being the Hurry of seed time, Young Persons are not so well at Leisure to Learn or be Instructed in their Catechism, the Parishioners otherwise being not remiss in sending their Children or Servants.

10th The Sacrament is Administerd constantly at the three great Festivals, & Once after Harvest. Coñunicants in the Parish are upwards of thirty. They that Receivd the last Easter were above Twenty.

11th I give Warning of the Sacrament as Directed by the Rubrick. The Parishioners sending their Names is not customary nor was ever known to have been done. I have never found sufficient Cause, for refusing ye Sacramt. to any one.

JAMES GIBSON

Kirklington

To the 1st. This Parish Consists of Twenty five Familys. There is one Family of Roman Catholicks, ye servants of wch. are Protestants.

2d. We have no Meeting house.

3d We have no School.

4 We have no Alms house Hospital &c:

5 There is neither House nor Land belonging to the Curacy.

6 I perform all Offices myself.

7 I know of no Such as are Here Enquired After.

8 The Service is performd Once evry Lords Day. Vide Hockerton



- 9 I Catechise between Easter & Whitsuntide. Vide Hockerton  
 10 The Sacrament is administred, at the three great Festivals  
 & once after Harvest. Coñunicants are about Sixty, at  
 Easter last were above Forty.  
 11 I give Warning of the Sacrament as the Rubrick directs, the  
 Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not found  
 Sufficient Cause to refuse the Sacrament to any.

I have not met with, in Either of my Parishes, any Particular  
 Difficulty in the Discharge of my Duty, nor may I presume to Judge  
 of Canons or Discipline, neither do I know of any Abuses in Eccles-  
 iastical Officers or others. I can promise Your Grace, I shall use my  
 best Endeavours to do my Duty in my own little Sphere, so as to  
 promote the Glory of God, & the Honour & Interest of our Estab-  
 lish'd Church, as far as it shall lye in my Power, and am Your  
 Graces Dutifull Son & Servant

JAMES GIBSON

R. JAMES GIBSON. Inst. 10th March, 1721. D. Lincoln, 20th Dec., 1719;  
 P. Peterborough, 25th Sept., 1720. Jesus Coll. Oxon. B.A., from Queen's  
 Coll. 1715; M.A., 1718. (See next).

Kirklington. C. JAMES GIBSON. Adm. by Chapter of Southwell,  
 24th Oct., 1728.

C.W. Hockerton	Henry Little
	James Long
C.W. Kirklington	William Charworth
	John Stacey

## 76. Hucknall Torkard, Nottingham.

- I. The Number of Families about 60 of which there is only one  
 Dissenting Family  
 II. No Meeting House  
 III. No Charity or endow'd School  
 IV. No Alms-House nor Hospital; but a Benefaction hath been  
 left of Seventeen Pounds per Annum one third part of which  
 for the use of the Church one for the Poor, and the other  
 part in ye power of Trustees and disposed of to ye Poor. I  
 know of no frauds nor abuses in the Management of it  
 V. There is no Parsonage House. I reside at Nuthall where I  
 am Curate  
 VI. [Blank]  
 VII. I know not of any who come to church in the Parish that  
 are not Baptized or that being baptized and of a competent  
 Age are not confirmed  
 VIII. Publick Service is performed once every Lords Day and  
 once at Nuthall where I am Curate  
 IX. I Catechise in the Church every Lent. The Parishioners send  
 their Children  
 X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred three  
 times in the Year. The Number of Communicants about

150 of which about forty usually receive as did the same Number at Easter last

- XI. I give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament I have not refused it to any one

THO: CARTER

Curate of Hucknall Torkard

C. THOMAS CARTER. Adm. by Donation of William, Lord Byron, 4th Dec., 1733. (See *Nuthall*).

C.W. : Thomas Day  
Richard Allen

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**77. Hoveringham,  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are thirty Families in Hoveringham, & no Dissenters of any Sort.
- II. [Answer]'d above
- III. There is only a petty School in ye Parish, & I believe, as well taken care of, as ye place will admit of.
- IV. There is only fifty Shillings a year left by ye Family of the Coopers of Thurgarton to the Poor of ye Parish, & duly paid.
- V. I reside at Thurgarton, wch. is a Curacy annext to it, according to Custom.
- VI. [Answer]'d above
- VII. I don't know of any, who come to Church, yt are not baptized, & all yt are of a competent age are confirmed, yt I know of.
- VIII. There is Service only once every Lord's day, & ye Reason of it is, I preach at Thurgarton ye other part of ye day according to Custom.
- IX. I catechise in Lent, & ye Parishioners duly send yr Children &c.
- X. The Sacrament is administerd three times a year & there may be betwixt forty & fifty Communicants, & perhaps abt. thirty might communicate at Easter last
- XI. I give open & timely warning of ye Sacramt. & have not refused it to any one.  
I have met wth none  
I have observed none  
I have discovered none  
I have none

JOHN ROSE Curate.

C. JOHN ROSE. Adm. 7th Sept., 1726. (See *Screveton* and *Thurgarton*).

C.W. : Hugh Maltby  
Thomas Hall.

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**78. Headon with Upton,  
Retford.**

- I. About Forty Families in the Parish. No Dissenters.
- II. No Licens'd or other Meeting House.



- III. No School.
  - IV. None.
  - V. I do not reside Personally upon my Cure, being Domestick Chaplain to the Rt Hon:ble the Earl of Exeter, in whose Family I reside.
  - VI. I have a Residing Curate, who lives in my Vicarage House. I allow him for this and my other Cure, wch is Contiguous, Forty pounds a Year.
  - VII. I know of none.
  - VIII. Publick Service is read in my Church every Lord's-Day, and every Holy-Day.
  - IX. Children are instructed in the Catechism during Lent. The Parishioners duly send them.
  - X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd seven Times in the Year. I believe there are about threescore Communicants in the Parish, of whom about Thirty usually receive. At Easter last Forty two received the Sacrament.
  - XI. Open & timely warning is given. The Parishioners do not send in their Names. I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any one.
- I am, My Lord, Yr Grace's Most Dutiful & Obedient Servant  
J: E: BELLINGER Vicr: of Headon

R. RICHARD JACKSON. Inst. 15th Dec., 1727. (See *Walesby* and *Wellow*).

V. JOHN EDWARD BELLINGER. Inst. and lic. to pr. 5th Aug., 1729. (See *Eaton*).

C.W. : Robert Barlow  
George Netleship.

## 79. Hayton, Retford—

- I. There are forty seven Families. No Dissenters.
- II. There is none.
- III. There is none
- IV. There is none.
- V. I reside upon my Cure of Clareborough which is adjoining.
- VI. I have none.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. Service is read alternately every Lords (*sic*) at ten in ye Morning & three in ye Afternoon as has been customary time out of mind.
- IX. I catechise every Friday in Lent. The Parishioners send their children & servants, as duly as can be expected.
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd six Times in ye Year. Thirty usually, at Easter Last thirty three receiv'd.
- XI. I do. The Parishioners do not send in their Names nor can it be remembered they have done

EDMUND MOWER Curate.

C. EDMUND MOWER. Adm. 16th March, 1741. (See *Clareborough*).

C.W. : Edmund Bealey  
Thomas Jackson.

80. [Harworth,  
Retford].

(Not written on the printed Form).

Harworth in the County of Nottingham, and Deanry of Retford.—

Answer to Q: 1st. There are about Sixty Families; Two of which are Dissenters, viz, One Popish, One Quaker—

2d. We have None—

3d. There is a Charity School endow'd with thirty Pounds a Year, forty Children are taught to read and write upon the Foundation; and all proper Care is taken as to the Particulars enquir'd after—

4th. There is an Hospital endow'd to the value of ten Pounds a Year, in your Grace's Collation; there are only two Alms Women to Whom Mr. Ludlam the Master pays their Appointments regularly; the Buildings are kept in good Repair, the present Master having 2 or 3 Years ago expended thirty or forty Pounds upon 'em. There is fifty shillings a Year left to cloath two poor Persons, every St. Thomas Day; and Ten Pounds a Year to put out Apprentices two Boys or two Girls, when they can read and write, and are 14 Years old. There are no Lands left for the Repair of the Church. The School and the above Benefactions are under the Direction of Trustees, and I believe there are not any Frauds committed, I being one of the Trustees—

5th &amp; 6th. I have a Resident Curate, who is duly qualify'd, to whom I allow thirty Pounds a year—

7th. [The answer cut off at bottom of page.]

8th There is Service perform'd every Sunday in the Morning, and every other Sunday both forenoon and Afternoon—

9th The Children and Servants most of 'em attend, and are catechis'd five or six Sundays in the Year, and the Scholars twice a Week in ye School—

10th The Sacrament is administerd six Times a Year. there are about Ninety Communicants; about sixty of which communicated last Easter

11th. The Curate gives open and timely Warning, the Parishioners neither do, nor ever us'd to send in their Names, He has not refus'd the Sacrament to any one—

I have nothing to offer to Your Grace concerning the following Articles.

Sepr. ye. 15th 1743—

MATTHEW TOMLINSON Vicar

V. MATTHEW TOMLINSON. Inst. 26th May, 1739. (See *Blythe*).A.C. THOMAS FELL. Lic. A.C. Blythe and Harworth, 19th Dec., 1740. Approved 23rd Dec., 1740. D. York, 21st Sept., 1718. P. London, 21st Dec., 1740. Trin. Coll., Dublin; B.A. (See *Scrooby*).C.W. : Robert Key  
Thomas Walker.

Abp. notes "Hospital of £10 p. ann. in Collation of Archbishop."



**81. Halloughton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. There are about fifteen Familys. Not One Dissenter.
  - II. There is not any Sort of Meeting-House
  - III. There is no endow'd School here
  - IV. There is not any Alms-House Hospital or Endowmt.; nor any Lands &c left for ye Repair of the Church.
  - V. There is not any House or Lands belonging to this Cure, only a Salary of ten pounds p Annū. I reside at Southwel. (*sic*)
  - VI. I have no Curate. I officiate my self.
  - VII. I do not know of any.
  - VIII. Once a fortnight; sometimes in ye Forenoon sometimes in ye Afternoon.
  - IX. I catechise ye Children & servants in ye Time of Lent wch has been accustom'd to be done here.
  - X. The Sacramt. of ye Lds Supper is administred twice a Year according to Custom, ye Number of Communicants are commonly 16 or 18. last Easter there were about that Number
  - XI. I give Notice ye Sunday before according as the Rubrick directs; 'tis not usual for them to give in their Names; I have not had any Reason to refuse any One the Sacramt. I have not met wth any Difficltly (*sic*) in—(*sic*) I am very well satisfied wth ye Canons & Discipline of the Church.
- I don't know of any Abuses among the Ecclesiastical Officers.

C. SAMUEL BIRD. Adm. by Abp. during Visitation, 7th Sept., 1726. (See *Farnsfield*).

C.W. : Thomas Lees.

**82. Keyworth,  
Bingham.**

- I. We have in this Parish, about thirty Families. Of these Three Presbyterian, And one suppos'd Papist.
- II. No Licensd Meeting.
- III. A small School, depending on the voluntary Contribution of the Inhabitants. And due Care taken.
- IV. No Almshouse, or Hospital. But a small quantity of Land, given towards the Repair of the Church. And, I hope, well manag'd.
- V. I do reside Personally.
- VI. No Curate.
- VII. I know not of any such
- VIII. Having a Vicarage, above a Mile distant: My way is to supply alternately. And when Service fall's to the Vicarage in the Afternoon; I likewise read Prayers here.
- IX. I constantly Catechise in Lent.
- X. The Sacrament is administred 4 times in the year. There be

many Communicants; And I am sorry to say how few Receive, notwithstanding my frequent Endeavours, and Exhortations.

XI. I give open, and timely Warning: Nor have I had occasion to Reject any.

I have met with no Difficultys, Defects or Abuses worth mentioning by, My Lord Your Grace's most obedient Son, and Servant

EDWD. MOISES (Senior).

R. EDWARD MOISES (Senior). (See *Wysall, Kingston-upon-Soar and Stanton-on-the-Wolds*).

C.W. : John Greaves  
William Cooke.

83. [Kinalton and Owthorpe,  
Bingham.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it please your Grace.

I was presented, by the late Archbishop, to the Vicarage of Kinalton about 7 Years ago & hold with it, by his License, the perpetual Curacy of Owthorpe, an adjoining Parish. Your Grace will be pleased to accept of the underwritten Answers to the Questions delivered at your primary Visitation, relating to each of these Parishes.

Your Grace is Rector of Kinalton & Patron of the Vicarage. The great Tythes are leased to Thos. Noel Esqre, owner of the Lordship & he has lately renewed his Lease. If any Thing shou'd happen, Your Grace may depend upon Information & the best Services of your most dutiful humle. Servant

Kinalton Aug: 29. 1743.

R. HARDY.

#### KINALTON V. Notts. D Bingham.

- I. We have 32 Families. One Family attends promiscuously ye Presbyterian, ye Independent & Anabaptist Meeting Houses. I had a Quaker in my Parish about 60 Years of Age, who was seduced in his Apprentiship (*sic*); but, being of no very obstinate Disposition, I, by honest & persuasive Methods, by cool & mild Reasoning, by the Cogency as well as Authority of Scripture, brought him over to ye Church, about a Year ago.
- II. We have no Meeting House.
- III. We have no publick School. I have lately set on Foot a Subscription among my Parishioners, to which I, at least proportionably, contribute, wch. amounts to about £12 per Annum: This we give to an honest & religious Man to instruct ye Children in English, Writing & Accompts. I have laid him under a particular Obligation to teach ye Children ye Church Catechism & to see that they duly attend divine service. He has near 40 Children under his Care.



- IV. Two Houses were formerly left (We have only Tradition for it) by two ancient Maiden Sisters, to ye Communion Cup: The Rent is, however, duly paid to ye Churchwardens & constantly laid out in Wine, for ye Use of ye Communicants.
  - V. I reside upon my Cure & in ye Vicarage-House.
  - VI. I do the Duty myself.
  - VII. Every Person in my Parish has been baptized & as many as were of a competent Age & Understanding & had not received ye Holy Sacrament, were confirmed at Your Grace's primary Visitation.
  - VIII. I read ye publick Service & preach in my Church every Sunday once. I have, as I mention'd above, a perpetual Curacy at Owthorp, worth about £20 p Annum, & within a Mile of this Place, & serve ye Churches alternately.
  - IX. The Schoolmaster catechises ye Children every Thursday & Saturday throughout ye Year & I examine them every Wednesday & Friday in Lent & read a catechetical Lecture on each of those Six Sundays, at either Kinalton or Owthorp, in ye Afternoon. The Parishioners duly send their Children to be catechised, but have not alwais Power over their ignorant & obstinate Servants.
  - X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd four Times in a Year. I have 48 Communicants. Generally about 30 receive. Last Easter I had 35.
  - XI. I give Notice of a Sacrament alwais on the Sunday before administration. It is not here usual for any to send in their Names except new Communicants. I never yet refused ye Sacrament to any one.
  - 1. I have not, I bless God! met with any uncommon Difficulty in ye Discharge of my Duty.
  - 2. I may possibly have observed some few Defects in ye Canons & Discipline of the Church, but I think myself too young to make proper & suitable Animadversions.
  - 3. Kinalton is a *Peculiar*, of which I am the Judge & Mr. Thos. Bennett, Notary-Publick: And I do assure your Grace, that we neither abuse our Power, nor are corrupt in our Practice.
- Lastly. Nothing, as far as I can judge, wou'd more promote ye Glory of God, the Honour & Interest of our Church, than a strict Imitation in us, of the Vigilance & Piety of our excellent Diocesan.

V. RICHARD HARDY. Coll. and lic. to pr. 26th Sept., 1735. D. Lond., 22nd Sept., 1734; P. Lond., 21st Sept., 1735. Ch. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1731; I.L.B., 1737.

### OWTHORPE Curacy. Notts. D Bingham.

- I. We have here 12 Families & no Dissenters.
- II. No Meeting-House.
- III. Here is a little private School, chiefly supported by the

Family of the Hutchinsons,\* where the Children are remarkably well-grounded in their Catechism. The Children are in Number about 14 & come duly to Church.

- IV. We have neither Alms-House, Hospital nor any other charitable Endowment.
- V. I have no Parsonage House at Owthorpe.
- VI. I do all the Duty myself.
- VII. They have all been baptized & have either received ye Sacrament or been confirmed.
- VIII. Once a Sunday. The other Part of the Day I am at Kinalton.
- IX. I catechise in the Church 3 of ye Sundays in Lent & read a catechetical Lecture.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd, in this Church, 4 Times in a Year. I have 25 Communicants. About 18 usually receive. Last Easter I had 22.
- XI. I give Notice ye foregoing Sunday.  
The remainder I have answer'd under Kinalton.

C. RICHARD HARDY. Allowed, 20th Aug., 1736.

C.W. Kinalton : Thomas Welsh  
Henry Clarke.

C.W. Owthorpe : John Smith.

#### 84. [Kneeton, Bingham.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it please yr. Grace

As I have but very lately entered upon the Curacy of Kneeton, (Yr. Grace haveing lately favoured me with yr. Licence to the same) yet I shall, according to yr. Graces Letter to the Ministers of other parishes, (tho' for Kneeton I have rec'd none) give yr. Grace what information I can concerning ye sd. parish, as I am in Duty and Gratitude bound.

The Number of Families in the parish of Kneeton in Bingham Deanery are about Ten; there are no Dissenters nor Meeting House of any Sort, nor School; no Alms House or Hospitall, nor any thing left for the repair of the Church.

There has not been any Minister resident there in the memory of Man, there being no Vicarage House; I shall and do perform all Divine Offices myself; Kneeton being only one Mile distant from Bleasby whereof I am Vicar:

I believe there are none that come to the Church but who are Baptized: I perform publick Service once every Sunday taking the Morning and Afternoon alternatively; the Curacy is 13l a Year, but I should be Deficient should I not acquaint yr. Grace that Sr. Charles Molineux the patron gives of his free Gift 7l a Year: I shall Catechise every Lent the few that are to be Catechised,

\* See *D.N.B.*, x. 339. *s.v.* Hutchinson, John (1615-1664) regicide. The family, whose most distinguished member was Mrs. Hutchinson, who wrote the *Life* of her husband, Colonel John Hutchinson, above.



and Administer the Sacraments (*sic*) 3 times in the Year, as has been usual; there were about 14 or 15 Communicants last Easter; I shall give Notice of the Sacrament always the Sunday before, and do all other Offices belonging to my function, with Gravity and Diligence in order to promote as much as in me lies the Glory of God and the Interest of the Established Church.

I am Yr Grace's most Obedient Son and Servt. in Christ  
Southwell Sept. 26: 1743 HENRY BUGG.

C. HENRY BUGG. Adm. 20th Sept., 1743. (See *Bleasby* and *Southwell*).

C.W. : Thomas Boswell.

Abp. notes "Sir Chas. Molyneux adds £7 p. a. free gift."

85. [Kilvington,  
Newark.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

An Answer to His Grace's Paper of Questions deliver'd to his Clergy at his Primary Visitation at Newark 1743

Tit.1. We have seven Families in the Parish, but amonsgt (*sic*) these We have no Dissenters

Tit.2. We have no Meeting House.

Tit.3. We have no Charity School, or Private one.

Tit.4. We have no Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment, neither have any Lands or Tenements been left for the Repair of our Church.

Tit.5. I do reside Personally upon my Cure and in the Parsonage House.

Tit.6. I have no Curate

Tit.7. I know of none that come to Church in my Parish that are not baptiz'd, or of any but what being of a competent Age are confirm'd.

Tit.8. The Publick Service of the Church is Perform'd every other Lords Day twice, by reason that I officiate at Staunton Chapel once a Fortnight.

Tit.9. I Catechise during the Season of Lent and the Parishoners duly send their Children for that Purpose.

Tit.10 The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred Four times a year, twelve Communicants usually recieve (*sic*), in Particular fourteen last Easter.

Tit.11 I give open Notice of the Sacrament, They do not send in their Names, I have never refused the Sacrament to any. I have met wth no Difficulties in the Discharge of my Duty.

SAM: LEEKE

Rector of Kilvington in the Deanry of Newark.

R. SAMUEL LEEKE. Inst. 18th Nov., 1731; Lic. to pr. at Sutton-on-Trent and in Dioc. York, 19th July, 1731. D. Durham, 19th Sept., 1725; P. York, 18th July, 1731. St. John's Coll. Camb. B.A., 1723. (See *Sutton-on-Trent*, *Staunton Chapel*, and *North Collingham*).

C.W. : Abel Barnett

William Fisher.

**86. Kelham,  
Newark.**

- I. 40 & not one Dissenter of any Sort
- II. I have none of any Sort.
- III. There has been wth.in these twelve years a Publick Charity School, built by her late Grace Dutchess of Rutland<sup>1</sup> for ye Teaching of 12 Children, She allow'd 10li yearly wch. is still continued but no settled (*sic*) as yet by Lord Lobert (*sic*) Sutton ye heir.
- IV. No Alms house, Hospitall, or other charitable Endowments, no lands or Tenements for ye Repairs of ye Church or other pious uses.
- V. I reside Personally on my Cure & in ye Parsonage house.
- VI. I have none.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. The Publick Service is duely perform'd twice every Lords day.
- IX. Twice a week during Lent.
- X. 5 Times a year att least. Xtmas, Easter twice; Whit Sunday, & abt. Michl: between sixty & eighty abt. 40 cõmunicants at a time but at Easter abt. Sixty, as I had last Easter.
- XI. Open & timely warning is given of the Sacrament before it is administred, but seldom send in their names as required, I have refused ye Sacrament to none.

JA: NAISH Rect:

R. JAMES NAISH. Inst. 8th Feb., 1720. Disp. to hold it with Rectory of Hawton by Abp. of Canterbury 26th Jan., 1720. (See *Hawton*).

C.W. : Richard Kitchen

Ralph Capp.

Abp. notes "Charity School has no settlements."

**87. Kneesal with Upton [Ompton],  
Newark.**

- I. In this parish with the Hamlets thereunto belonging are abt. Fourscore Families, out of wch. three are presbyterians & two Quakers.....
- II. Here is one Meeting House for the presbyterians suppos'd, to be licenc'd, who assemble together abt. once a Month in number about twenty;<sup>2</sup> there is also in one of the Hamlets a Quakers-Meeting.<sup>3</sup>
- III. Here is no publick Schöol, we have a private one where Children are taught a little English.
- IV. Here is no Alms-House, nor any Charitable Endowment.

<sup>1</sup> Bridget d. and sole heir of Robert Sutton, Lord Lexington, wife of John, 3rd Duke of Rutland. On her death, 16th June 1734, the Sutton estates passed to her second son, Lord Robert, died 1772.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix B.

<sup>3</sup> See Appendix C.



Nothing has been left to the Repair of the Church, or any other pious use.

- V. I reside in person upon my Cure, & in my Vicarage House.
- VI. This Question is Solv'd by the Answer to the Foregoing one.
- VII. I know of none that come to Church unbaptiz'd or that being baptiz'd & of a competent age are not confirm'd.
- VIII. The Service is perform'd in the Church every Lords-Day publickly; not always twice, upon account of attending upon a Chappel of Ease
- IX. Children are Catechis'd during the time of Lent, & I Find no Remisness (*sic*) in either parents or Masters sending their Children or Servants.
- X. The Sacrament is administred three times a year. The Communicants are seldom under thirty & seldom above fifty.
- XI. The Sacrament has timely Notice given of it. It is not here a Custom for the parishioners to send in their names. No Communicants have been refusd.

No Difficulties have I met with; No Defects do I find in my Judgment in the present Discipline of the Church; nor any Corruptions or Abuses in Officers Ecclesiastical.

THO: COOPER.

V. THOMAS COOPER. Inst. 2nd Dec., 1719. Also C. of Boughton Chapel. (See *Oxton*).

C.W. : William Key  
Francis Hill

C.W. Boughton Chapel. Henry Uliatt

88. [Kirkby in Ashfield,  
Nottingham.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

Kirkby September the 17th. 1743

To

The Most Reverend Father in God Thomas by Divine Providence Lord Arch-Bishop of York Primate of England and Metropolitan—

The Answers of John Brailsford Rector of Kirkby in Ashfield in the County of Nottingham and in the Province and Diocese of York aforesaid to certain Questions sent by His Grace the said Arch-Bishop to the said Mr: Brailsford dated Kensington. May. 2. 1743.

- 1. I have about Sixscore Families in my Parish. Seven of them are Protestant Dissenters,—Presbyterians or Independents. There is besides One Family of Quakers in my Parish. And there are an uncertain Number of Persons that run up and down after the Methodist-Teachers.\*

\* See Appendix C.

- 2d. There is no licens'd or other Meeting House in my Parish. Only sundry Persons have sometimes met in Houses or Outhouses not licens'd in my Parish, to hear a Methodist-Teacher or Teachers; and particularly (as I am inform'd) there was on Monday ye: 12th of this Instant September a Meeting of People to hear one Stephen Dixon a Lay-Methodist-Teacher at the home of one William Burroughs in my Parish, which house, I believe, not to be licens'd: And the said Stephen Dixon was by the Church-Wardens of this Parish presented at Your Grace's primary Visitation at Nottingham for preaching in a Barn in this Parish that was not licens'd, the said Stephen Dixon having not qualified himself according to Law to teach: But I have not heard of any Process against the said Stephen.
- 3d. There are none but petty Schools in my Parish, the Children's Schooling pay'd for by those that send them to School; And Care is taken that the Children in the said Schools be instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion, according to the Doctrine of the Church of England, and that they be brought duly to Church, as the Canon requires.
4. There is nothing in my Parish that makes an Answer requisite: Only there is about the Sum of 30 Pounds left for the Use of the Poor under the Management of the Minister and Overseers of the Poor, the Interest of which is duly applied.
5. I do reside personally upon my Cure and in my Parsonage-House.
6. I personally residing on my Cure have no Curate.
7. I do not know of any that come to Church in my Parish that are not baptis'd. I believe there may be some baptis'd and of a competent Age, that are not confirm'd; But I think there are but few such, there having been upwards of 40 of my Parish confirm'd the last Confirmation but one.
8. Publick Service is generally read in my Church Wednesdays & Fridays in Lent, and on all Holy Days, and is duly perform'd twice every Lord's Day.
9. I do Catechise in my Church Wednesdays & Fridays in Lent, and frequently on Sunday Afternoons after the Second Lesson, when there is no Sermon: And my Parishioners of the Church of England do for the most Part duly send their Children & Servants to be instructed by Me.
10. The Sacrament is administer'd in my Church ten times in the Year, that is to say, thrice at Easter, thrice at Christmass, twice at Whitsuntide, and twice at St. Luke's Tide, which is ye Season of our Wakes, or Dedication of our Church. I cannot certainly say what Number of Communicants I have in my Parish, or how many of them do usually receive, nor how many did communicate at Easter last, by Reason, though call'd upon by me So to-do, they have not sent in their Names before receiving the Sacrament; But I do believe



there may be about Sixty Communicants in my Parish, that about thirty or forty of them do usually receive, and particularly that about forty might receive last Easter.

11th. I do give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administer'd. My Parishioners do not send in their Names to me as requir'd. I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any one.

With my Most hearty Prayers to God for His special Favour and Blessing on Your Grace in the Discharge of Your Grace's High Office, I am, Your Grace's Most Dutiful Son & Most humble Servant  
JOHN BRAILSFORD.

I Beg Your Grace's Direction concerning those that offer themselves to be Partakers of the Sacrament, and have not sent in their Names, as also in the like Case those who follow the Methodists.

There is one Mary Gilbert a Poor Woman in my Parish stands excommunicated for Contumacy, having been presented for Fornication, who would have submitted to the Court, had it not been for her Father, an unworthy Man, whom having found Clarke at my coming into this Parish, I continued, 'till, for his Misbehaviour in this and other Respects, I found myself oblig'd to displace him. Would Your Grace be pleas'd to give Directions that the said Mary's Submission might be accepted without Charge, I believe She might be brought to submit. Otherwise it may please Your Grace to consider whether it might not be proper for Your Grace to give Directions for the Prosecution of the said Excommunicate, for the Prevention of such obstinate Contumacy.

As Ecclesiastical Processes are pro merâ salute animarum, ought they not to be carried on against Rich & Poor—without Respect of Persons, against the former without Commutations, against the latter ex Officio?

Could not Application be some way successfully made that no Denomination of Christians in these Realms should receive into their Communion or admit into their Congregations any that are Excommunicate, or any way under Process according to the Forms of Discipline of another Perswasion for any scandalous Immorality?

Could not Application be made with hopes of Success for a Proclamation, to put in force against the Methodists the Laws in being against Protestant Dissenting Teachers not qualifying themselves according to these Laws?

I am most humbly of Opinion that a particular Exhortation from Your Grace to the Members of the Church of England in Your Grace's Province to receive the Sacrament three times in the Year of which Easter to be one, and to send in their Names to the Ministers of their respective Parishes before their receiving, would be a happy Means to remedy that Neglect, which I am afraid is but too general in those Respects.

Parish Clerk. THOMAS BOOTT. Lic. 9th May, 1738.

C.W. : Thomas Chadwick

Barnaby Burrows.

Abp. notes "to enquire about Mary Gilbert excommunicate, that her submission may be accepted without charge, and to answer a question about sending in names for the Sacrament."

### 89. Kirkton, Retford.

- I. There are thirty two families in my Parish; not any of these Dissenters except a young man yt goes sometimes to a Presbyterian Meeting—
- II. I have not any Licens'd or other meeting House in my Parish—
- III. There is not any Publick or Charity School endow'd or otherwise maintain'd in my Parish—
- IV. There is not in my Parish any Alms-House or Hospital; nor have any Lands or Tenemts been left for ye Repair of ye Church, yt I know of: We have a Close let at two pounds four shillings p Añ for ye use of ye Poor under ye Direction of ye Rectr & Church-Wardens—& another Close let at nineteen shillings p Añ & ye Interest of four pounds for teaching two poor children under ye Direction of ye Rectr—I do not know, nor have I heard of any abuses or frauds Committed in ye managemt of these charities—
- V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure, & in my Parsonage House—
- VI. I keep no Curate, but serve ye Cure my self—
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church in my Parish that are not Baptiz'd: We have some of a Competent Age that are not Confirm'd; & ye cheif (*sic*) reason why they were not was yt our Town ffeast happen'd in ye Confirmation Week, so yt they either could not, or would not come—
- VIII. The Publick Service is duly perform'd every Lds Day in ye Morning, except ye last Sunday in ye month, & then it is perform'd at Bothomsall in ye Morning & Kirkton in ye Afternoon, the other Sundays at Bo: in ye Afternoon, wch is ye Reason it is not twice done: The Publick Service is not read so often as it ought to be, for I cannot get a Congregation unless in Passion Week, & the Holy Days attending ye great ffeastivals, & ye Publick ffasts & Thanksgivings, my Parishioners being almost all ffarmers & Day-labourers—
- IX. I have two Summers on Sundays in ye Afternoon expounded ye whole Church Catechism, & do Examine them in it before they receive Confirmation & ye Sacramt. My Parishioners are not very backward in sending their Children & Servts—
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is Administer'd four Times in the year in my Church: I have about Seventy Six Communicable Persons in my Parish: abt Twenty receive at



ye great ffestivals & abt ten at Mich: I believe there might two & twenty receive last Easter—

- XI. I always give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administred: My Parihioners (*sic*) do not send in their names to me as required: I have not refused ye Sacramt to any one

WM BOAWRE Rectr of Kirkton

R. WILLIAM BOAWRE. Inst. 28th March, 1717. (See *Bothamsall*).  
C.W. : Thomas Cade  
Thomas Suter

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90. **West Leake,  
Bingham.**

- I. Eight and twenty Families, No Dissenters.
- II. No licensed or other Meeting-House.
- III. No Publick or Charity School endowed or otherwise maintain'd.
- IV. No Alms-House Hospital or other Charitable Endowment properly so called. Five Pound was left by Mrs. Parnel Davis to be put into the hands of Trustees and the Interest by them yearly paid for the teaching Poor Children their Catechism and learning them to read. They are usually taught by, & the Money paid to, the Master of East-Leke School. No Lands or Tenemts. for the Repair of the Church.
- V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure and in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have a Curate who resides at Great Leke or East Leke (there being no convenient Lodgings for him in this Place) & who I humbly presume is duly qualified. His allowance is thirty five pound a year, and the other half of the Surplice Fees of both Churches.
- VII. I know of none who come to Church and are not Baptized, and all I believe of a competent age, not before confirmed, had the happiness of being so this Summer.
- VIII. The publick Service is read in this Church on Holidays Wednesdays and Fridays, and is duly performed twice every Lord's Day.
- IX. We usually Catechise in Lent. Such Children and Servants as have not learned their Catechism, when there are any such, my Curates and self are alwaies willing and desirous to instruct.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administered on Christmas Day, Easter Day, and Whitsunday, and every other first Sunday in the Month, East and West Leke taking Turns with each other.
- XI. Notice or Warning is given every Sunday immediately preceding that on which the Sacrament is administered. The Parishioners do not usually send in their Names. I

have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

To be allowed the Liberty of committing to your Grace's Faithful Ear any Difficulties or Points of Consequence that may arise, and under your Prudent Banner to fight the Fight of God, defend the establish'd Church and be humbly instrumental in promoting the Good Order of Your Diocese, will alwaies be esteemed the greatest happiness by Your Grace's ever most Dutifull & most obedient Servant

GRANVILLE WHELER.

West Leke Sept. 16. 1743.

R. GRANVILLE WHELER. Inst. 26th Sept., 1737. (See *East Leake*).

A.C. JOHN LOWTHER. Lic. 27th Dec., 1738. D. Linc., 19th Dec., 1736; P. Lond., 24th Dec., 1738. Queen's Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1736.

C.W. : John Carver. Ordered to provide a Table of Prohibited Degrees.

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91. **East Leak, [East Leake]**  
**Bingham.**

- I. Ninety four Families, Two only Dissenters, They Presbyterians.
- II. No Licensed or other Meeting House, Nor do I know of any Persons privately assembling together to teach or to be taught
- III. A handsome Edifice was erected by the late Mr. John Bley, in which is a large Room for a School and a proper Apartment for a Master. Four hundred and fivety (*sic*) pound was bequeath'd by the said Mr. Bley to be laid out in a purchase of land, and the purchase of Land has been sometime made. The present Master is a very Carefull Man teaches constantly threescore or fourscore Boys and Girls to read and write, instructs 'em diligently in their Church Catechism, and brings 'em duly to Church on Wednesdays and Fridays, taking care as far as he is able, that their Parents do so on Sundays.
- IV. No Hospital, Alms-House or other Charitable Endowment, that I know of, except that mentioned in the preceding Querie & except as follows, John Wright gave five pound, Thomas Spencer six pound, and Mrs. Parnel Davis five pound. The Interest of each of the two former Summs for a Dole of Bread to the Poor, and of the latter to teach Children their Catechism. Besides which there is a Meadow, called the Common Meadow, let one year with another for about six pound, given to such uses for the Benefit and Ease of the Town, as seven Trustees shall think fit.
- V. I reside personally at the Parsonage House of West Leke, the House here being very small & distant from the other only one mile. The Church of West Leke is the Mother Church, and both Parishes are united.
- VI. I have a residing Curate, and, as I humbly presume, duly



qualified, He has lodgings in a Private House, and his Allowance is thirty five pound p annum with half the Surplice Fees of East and West Leke.

- VII. Publick or Private Baptism I believe all have had, some Difficulties have arose with one or two Persons about bringing their Children to Church after private Baptism. The latter part of this Query was happily answered by your Grace this Summer.
- VIII. It is read every Holiday, Wednesday, and Friday, and duly performed twice every Lord's-Day.
- IX. The usual time of Catechising is Lent, during which the Parishioners duly send their Children to be catechised. It has never been customary for Servants to be catechised, but my Curates or self are alwaies willing and ready to give Instruction to such Persons as want it.
- X. The Sacrament is administered every Christmas Day, Easter Day, & Whitsunday, & besides every other first Sunday in the Month throughout the whole year. We have usually about forty or fivety that communicate, and at the Great Festivals about seventy or eighty, about the same Number last Easter Day, all communicate except——four or five Persons.
- XI. Open Warning is given every Sunday immediately preceding that on which the Sacrament is administered. The Parishioners do not usually send in their names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

Whenever any Difficulties in our Duty occur, any Defects in the Laws and Discipline of the Church are observed, and any Abuses or Corruptions (*sic*) in Ecclesiastical Officers demand redress, To be admitted humbly to hint, or modestly propose is a happiness that must fill the hearts of all the Sons of York, but of none more than that of Your Graces most Dutifull and faithfull Humble Servant

GRANVILLE WHELER.

West Leke Sept. 16. 1743

R. GRANVILLE WHELER. Inst. 26th Sept., 1737. D. Canterbury, 4th Sept., 1737; P. Canterbury, 25th Sept., 1737. Ch. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1718; B.A., 1720; Fellow, 1722; M.A., 1724; F.R.S., 1728; Incorp. Oxon., 1734. Died 1770. See *D.N.B.* xx, 1357. (See *West Leake*).

A.C. EDWARD POOLE. Subscribed as Deacon before licence to Bulwell and Basford, 9th July, 1741. P. Chester, 19th Dec., 1742. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1738; M.A., 1742.

C.W. : Richard James  
Thomas Carver.

## 92. Langar with Barnston, Bingham.

- I. I have in my Parish Forty three families, and, I bless God, never a Dissenter.
- II. There is no meeting House in my Parish of any Sort.

- III. There is no publick Charity School endowd or maintaind in my Parish. A poor Widow teaches some poor Children at the expence of the Minister & a few others to read and say their Catechism.
- IV. There is no Alms House or Hospital in my Parish. No Lands or Tenements have been left for the Repair of the Church, or any other pious uses.
- V. I reside personally upon my Cure and in my Parsonage House, which I new built in the Year 1722.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know not of any that come to Church that are unbaptized, or of competent age that are not confirmd, except two or three that want, & that have, further instruction.
- VIII. The Service is duely performd in my Church twice every other Lords Day: And once every other Lords day there and in a small Chappel belonging to my Parish, where the Sacrament is administred every Good-friday. The Service is read every Sunday, on Holidays Wednesdays & Fridays.
- IX. I Catechise in Lent, and in part of the Sum̄er, and my Parishioners send their Children and Servants to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred in my Church, at the least three times in a Year sometimes four. Since the last Confirmation I have a Hundred Cōmunicants in my Parish. Twenty usually receive, some times near forty. To the best of my remembrance about twenty received at Easter last.
- XI. I give open, and timely Warning of the Sacrament, by reading one of the Exhortations appointed. The Parishioners do not send in their names, but attend me for advice as occasion requires. I thank God I have had no occasion to refuse the Sacrament to any one.

My Lord

It shal be my constant Care to attend Yr Graces cōmands; and I shal, as I am in Duty bound, and as occasion may require, ask Yr Graces advice and directions, to which, I shal humbly submit, whilst I am

BENT. SHERARD Rr of Langar

4th. June 1743.

R. BENEDICT SHERARD. Inst. 9th Nov., 1714. D. Norwich, 23rd Dec., 1705; P. York, 21st Sept., 1707. Adm. Preb. of North Leverton in Southwell, 7th Nov., 1734. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1703; M.A., 1705 (*Com. Reg.*). He was cousin of Philip, 2nd Earl of Harborough. Chaplain to the Duke of Rutland.

C.W. : William Wills  
George Copendale  
Richard Wright.

### 93. Laxton [with Moorhouse], Newark.

- I. Threescore Families in Laxton & twelve in Moorhouse, a



small Hamlet in the same Parish. Two Dissenters only, both Women, One a Dipper, the other; a Papish. The latter came here since Ladyday.

- II. No Meeting Houses here.
- III. There is an Ordinary School-Master only; for teaching English, Writing & Accounts, who Catechises his Scholars, & obliges them to come to Church. The number of Children seldom exceeds forty. They are taught for a Penny a Week only.
- IV. There is Forty Pounds for teaching Poor Children. This is left to the Church-Wardens as Trustees, till they can buy Land with it for ye said Uses: There is also five Pounds a year in Land left to ye Parish, for ye Repair of ye Church. I hear of no Abuses in the Management of these two Charities.
- V. I do, & in my Vicarage House.
- VI. I have not.
- VII. I do not know of any.
- VIII. It is perform'd twice every Lords-Day, that I do not preach at Moorhouse Chappel, & then but once; which is every Fort'night.
- IX. All Lent only. At which Season the Children are duly sent, & such as have not learnt their Catechism. And Servts. that have not been Confirmed.
- X. Five times in a year. The Nbr. of Commucants (*sic*) of Capacity to receive 180. Of these betwixt 30 & 40 usually receive. This last Easter 60 did Communicate.
- XI. I do. They do not send in their Names. I have never deny'd the Sacramt. to any one, since I came here. Nor have had any Reason to do it.

JOHN WARRELL Vic: of Laxton

V. JOHN WARRELL. Inst. and lic. to pr., 9th May, 1729. D. Lincoln, 23rd Sept., 1722; P. Lincoln, 24th Sept., 1727. Magdalen Coll. Camb. B.A., 1720; ordained D. as "literate," Magd. Coll. Camb. (Lincoln Reg.).

C.W. : William Doncaster  
William Hazzard.

#### 94. Langford, Newark.

- I. There are Sixteen Families; one of which are Quakers.
- II. There is no Meeting House in ye Parish.
- III. There is no School.
- IV. There is no Charitable Endowmt.
- V. There is no House to reside upon.
- VI. It is but a Curacy itself.
- VII. No.
- VIII. There is publick Service once in a fortnight: it being usually perform'd but once in a Month before my Admission.
- IX. The Children are Catechised always in Lent.

- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administred four times in ye year; whereat generally there (*sic*) 18 or 20 Coñunicants.
- XI. Open Warning is allways ye forthnight before; no one having been refus'd ye Sacrament.

C. WILLIAM TOMLINSON. Adm. 9th Nov., 1726. P. York, 22nd Sept., 1717. (See *Sigglesthorne, Yorks.*)

C.W. : Richard Vassin.

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**95. Lambley,  
Nottingham.**

- I. in this Parish Forty two Families One Presbyterian one Quaker whose children are Baptiz'd in ye church of England way. & one whoman A Papist.
- II. None
- III. No School properly so called but some children taught at my own Expense in ye principles of ye Xtian Religion according to the Doctrine of the church of England
- IV. None
- V. I do personally reside upon ye Cure & do constantly live in ye Parsonage House
- VI. No Curate in ys Parish
- VII. None yt I know off
- VIII. Prayers are duly & constantly Read twice Every Sunday & on all Holy days & Fast days & in Lent on Wednesdays & Fridays. & prayers begin at a Canonical hour.
- IX. In ys Parish I constantly begin Catechizing ye 1st Sunday in Lent & end ye Sunday before Whitsunday all Parents duly & regularly send yir Children to be instructed.
- X. Four times in ye Year I have about sixty Coñunicants in ys Parish & Forty usually receive. it was my Custome formerly to keep a List of all Coñunicants & for ye future will observe it.
- XI. due & proper warning is constantly given ye Sunday before by Reading one or ye other of ye Exhortations as ye Rubrick directs I have had no occasion to refuse ye Sacramnt. to any one. it has never been Customary for ye Parishionrs. to send in yir Names.

HEN:RY WOODS Rectr. of Lambley

R. HENRY WOODS. Inst. 2nd June, 1719. (See *Stanford-on-Soar*).

C.W. : Jonathan Burrows  
Thomas Godbourne

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**96. Lindby,  
Nottingham.**

- I. In this Parish there are Forty four Families & one Hundred & Eighty five Persons, & no Dissenters of any Kind—
- II. There is no Meeting House of any Sort in this Parish—
- III. There is no Charity or Publick School in the Parish



- IV. In this Parish there is no Alms House Hospitall or other Charitable Endowment.—
  - V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure & in the Parsonage House
  - VI. I have no Curate Here I serve the Cure my self—
  - VII. I know of none that come to Church that are not baptized nor of any that are of Competent age that are not Confirmed—
  - VIII. Publick Service is read in this Church every Lords day once one Sunday in the Morning & the next in the afternoon & the reason why 'tis not performd twice every Lords day is because I read Service every Lords day one part of the day at Annesley
  - IX. I Catechise every year in Lent & the Parishioners do send their Children & Servants Pretty duly——
  - X. The Sacrament is here administerd four times a year, the number of Communicants in this Parish is about 112 & near twenty of them usually recieve (*sic*) & at Easter near Thirty—
  - XI. The Sunday before the Sacrament is administerd notice is publickly given, but it is not the Custom here for the Parishioners that intend to recieve to send their names beforehand, nor did I ever refuse to give the Sacrament to any one—
- I have nothing to offer to these Questions—I am My Lord  
Your Graces most Dutifull Son & Servant  
ANDREW MATTHEWS Rectr.

R. ANDREW MATTHEWS. Inst. 4th Oct., 1723. (See *Nuthall* and *Annesley*).

C.W. : Mr. Walter Mather.

**97. Loudham, [Lowdham]  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are one hundred thirty two families in or (*sic*) parish. None of these are Dissenters.
- II. There is no meeting House in our parish.
- III. There is no publick or Charity school in our parish
- IV. There is not in or parish any Alms house hospital or other charitable Endowment. No Lands or tenements have been left for the repair of the Church nor any other pious Use
- V. I reside personally upon my Cure, but not in the Vicarage house. Being a single person, I reside with my relations at the Rectory.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church in or. parish that are not baptized. There are some that are baptized & of competent age that are not confirmed
- VIII. The publick Service is read in our church on fasting days & Holy days when there is a sufficient congregation It is

performed once every Lords day. In consideration of my circumstances & the smallness of my Living I was licensed to the Cure of Screveton

- IX. I Catechise four or five Sundays before the feast of St Peter, & always on that day, on account of a Lagacy (*sic*) that was left to be distributed at that time in Bread to Children that had learned their catechism; The parishioners send their children, but not their Servts
- X. The Sacramt of the Lords Supper is administer'd in our church three times a year. The number of communicants is three hundred & fourteen About forty usually receive. About thirty did communicate at Easter last.
- XI. I give open & timely warning of the Sacramt before it is administer'd. The parishioners do not send in their names; but I will endeavour to persuade them to do it for ye time to come

JOSEPH BRUEN—Vicar of Lowdham

V. JOSEPH BRUEN. Inst. and lic. to pr. 22nd June, 1730. D. Lich. and Cov., 20th Sept., 1724; P. Linc., 26th Feb., 1726. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1723. (See *Screveton*).

C.W. : Benjamin Parr  
Thomas Raynor.

## 98. Lenton, Nottingham.

- I. About Eighty Families; four of which are Dissenters, three of them Presbyterians, & one Independent, besides wch. there is one Single Woman an Independent, one Man a Papist & three men Quakers
- II. There is no Licensed or other Meeting house
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment; Nor any Lands or Tenement left for the Repair of the Church, or to any other Pious Use
- V. I do not reside upon My Cure & have no Parsonage House. But I reside at Nottingham a Small Mile from Lenton; I have a Dispensation for Non Residence, because I am Under Master of the Free School in Nottingham.
- VI. I have no Residing Curate
- VII. I know of none who come to Church that are not Baptized, & only some few who being of a Competent age are not Confirmed
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once Every Lords Days (*sic*), & the reason of its not being performed twice is, because the other Part of the Day I always read the Publick Service in the Church of Radford an Adjacent Parish
- IX. I usually Catechise every other Sunday from the beginning of Lent to Michaelmas & most of the Parishioners send their children to be Instructed



- X. The Sacrament is administred four times Yearly. there are about two hundred Communicants, Of wch. Usually about twenty or Sometimes near thirty receive, & particularly about twenty received at Easter last
- XI. Open & Timely Notice is given of the Sacrament & it has not been refused to anyone.

GEO: WAYTE Curate of Lenton

C. GEORGE WAYTE. Adm. 8th March, 1731. Usher, Grammar School, Nottingham. (See *Radford and Nottingham, S. Mary's*).

C.W. : Samuel Keighley  
Benjamin Ault.

**99. South Leverton,  
Retford.**

- I. 53 Families none of wch are Dissenters
- II. There is a Licensed Meeting House for Quakers\* but they have not met in it for several years last past, except wn they bury yir dead. And yn ye Friends of ye Deceased bring with ym any preacher of yir Sect yt they can procure, & sometimes none at all.
- III. There is a School endowed for teaching ye Boys of ye town to read, & if need be to instruct ym in Latin & Greek. In winter I have 12 or 14 Scholars, in Summer ye Number is less, & sometimes I have none but my own Son. I instruct ym in ye Church Catechism once a week, & take ym with me duly to Church as often as yre are prayers.
- IV. There is not in ye Parish any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment. No Lands have been left for ye Repair of ye Church, or to any other pious Use.
- V. I reside in my Vicarage House.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. No.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once every Lords Day. One Sunday in ye Morning & another in ye Afternoon alternately. because I serve North-Leverton together with South-Leverton. & on holy days I read prayers at ye two Churches alternately.
- IX. During Lent I catechise every Wednesday & Parents send yir Children pretty regularly.
- X. I administer ye Sacrament six times in ye year. The Number of Communicants are abt 110. From 30 to 45 usually receive at every Communion. At Easter last abt 36 communicated.
- XI. I give open Warning ye Sunday before ye Sacrament is administred. It has not been customary for those yt intend to communicate to send in yir Names before. I have never refused any one ye Sacrament.

THO: EDWARDS Vicar.

\* See Appendix C.

V. THOMAS EDWARDS. Inst. 25th Aug., 1725. D. Lich. and Cov., 22nd Sept., 1723; P. Lincoln, 21st Feb., 1724. Ball. Coll. Oxon. B.A., 1718. (See *North Leverton*, *Apesthorpe*, and *Littleborough*).

C.W. : Richard Keyworth

John Hutchinson.

C. of Cottam Chapel: NICHOLAS HOWLET. (See *Rampton*).

Cottam Chapel: C.W.: William Dobson.

### 100. Littleborough, Retford.

- I. 12 Families None of wch are Dissenters
- II. There is no Meeting-House in ye Parish
- III. There is no publick or Charity School
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowmt. No Lands have been left for ye Repair of ye Church, or to any other pious Use.
- V. I reside at South-Leverton at abt. 2 Miles Distance. there is no House belonging to ye Curate, nor indeed any thing but a small Stipend of 4li. 3s. 4d. p Ann. subject to Parliamentary Taxes.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. No.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once a fortnight during ye Summer six months. & once a month during ye six winter Months. Abt. 3 a clock in ye afternoon except on Sacrament Days
- IX. There has been no Custom of catechising here by reason I suppose of ye smalness of ye Curacy.
- X. I administer ye Sacramt 4 times a year. ye Number of Communicants are abt 28. Of wch from ten to fifteen have usually received. At Easter abt 12 communicated.
- XI. I give open Warning beforehand, ye Sunday I do Duty here before yt on wch I intend to administer ye Sacrament. It has not been customary for ye Parishioners to send in yir Names. I have never refused ye Sacramt. to any one

THO: EDWARDS Curate

C. THOMAS EDWARDS. Adm. 21st July, 1741. (See *North* and *South Leverton* and *Apesthorpe*).

C.W. : William Wilkinson.

### 101. North Leverton, Southwell (Peculiar).

- I. 58 Families none of wch are Dissenters wholly; only in one Family yre is one Man who is a Presbyterian, & he goes to ye Presbyterian Meeting at Gainsborough.
- II. There is no Meeting House in ye Parish
- III. There is no publick or Charity School.



- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment. No Lands have been left for ye Repair of ye Church. Abt 16 years ago one Mrs Palmer of London charged her Estate at Cotes, a small village lying in ye parishes of N. Leverton & Apesthorne with ye paymt of 20 li p Ann. to ye poorest widows & orphans of yt town at ye discretion of ye Minr. & Church-Wardens. But yre being none yt recd. collection of ye Parish at ye time of Mrs Palmer (*sic*) death & in some other respects ye will, I suppose, being not well & clearly worded, her Executrs. raised Objections agt. paying ye money. So an amicable Suit was commenced in Chancery, wch by several unhappy Accidents, & unforeseen hindrances & delays has not yet been determined.
- V. I reside at South-Leverton at ye Distance of abt half a mile.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. No
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once every Lord's Day one Sunday in ye Morning & another in ye Afternoon alternately, because I serve South-Leverton together with North-Leverton. And on holy Days I read prayers at ye two Churches alternately.
- IX. During Lent I catechise every Friday, & Parents send yir Children pretty regularly.
- X. The Sacrament is administered six times in ye year. The Number of Communicants is abt 120. in North-Leverton. & 40 in Apesthorne. Of wch from 20 to 30 usually receive. At Easter abt 24 communicated.
- XI. I do give open Warning ye Sunday before. It has not been customary for those yt intend to communicate to send in yir Names beforehand. I have never refused ye Sacrament to any one.

THO: EDWARDS Vicar.

V. THOMAS EDWARDS. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 13th May, 1742.  
(See *South Leverton*, *Apesthorne*, and *Littleborough*).

C.W. : Robert Bower  
George Husband.

## 102. Marnham, Newark.

- I. In the Parish of Marnham there are about 46 families; only one Dissenter, a Papist by profession.
- II. There is no licens'd or other Meeting house in the Parish.
- III. There are two English Schools but without Endowment, where some few Children are taught to read, whom the Masters take care to teach the Church Catechism and bring to Church at certain times.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowment, No Lands or Tenements left for the Repair

of our Church. But Edmund Nicholson Esqr. left 12 li a year in Land to be distributed annually to the poor of the Parish, wch the Trustees he appointed duly perform.—

- V. I do not reside upon my Living, for being Master of the Free School of Stamford Lincolnshire at the time I was presented to it, thro' the Indulgence of the late ABishop I was excus'd Residence, and hope for the like favour from Your Grace.
- VI. I have a Curate very well qualified for his Office. He lives in the Vicarage house, and is allowd by me twenty five pounds a Year.
- VII. There are none that I know of come to Church unbaptized, and due Care is taken to have such confirm'd as are of a competent age.
- VIII. The publick Service is duly read every Lord's day either in the morning or Afternoon, On Litany Days and holidays. The Curate has the Care of the adjoining Parish, and serves this and it on Sundays alternately.
- IX. 'Tis usual here to catechise in Lent, but neither Servants nor Children attend so constantly as might be wishd.
- X. The Sacrament is administred six times in the year. There are about 100 Communicants. Usually 30 or 40 receive, last Easter near 70.
- XI. Due Warning is always given, but it is not customary here for the Parishioners to send in their Names. There has been no occasion here to refuse the Sacrament to any one.

FARINDON REID Vicar.

V. FARINDON REID. Inst. and lic. to pr. 24th Oct. 1735. D. Linc., 8th Apr., 1729; P. Linc., 13th June, 1731. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1728; Fellow, 1731-4; M.A., 1732. Master of Free School, Stamford, 1731-71.

A.C. JOHN LEYLAND. Adm., 2nd June, 1739. (See *Normanton on Trent*).

C.W. : John Campion  
Thomas Archer

103. [Mapplebeck,  
Newark].

(Not written on the printed Form).

In the Parish of Mapplebeck Nottgm:shire——

- 1 Families only 25 in Number. Dissenters, only one small Family, of ye Sect called Quakers.
- 2 No licens'd or other Meeting House.
- 3 No School of any Kind.
- 4 No Alms House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowment. No Lands or Tenements for the Repair of the Church, or other Use.
- 5 No House for the Minister to reside in.



- 6 Mapplebeck a Donative, for ye serving which, the Impro-  
rietor (*sic*) pays me 16 Pounds a Year, & the Parishioners  
pay me 4 Pounds a Year more in Lieu of small Tythes.
- 7 Those who come to Church have been all baptized, &, of a  
competent Age, confirmed.
- 8 Publick Service read once a Week only, on every Sunday.  
Prayers twice a Week, & on ye lesser Holy-Days, omitted;  
ye Inhabitants being altogether Farmers, & People employ'd  
in Labour. Publick Service perform'd but once every Ld's.  
Day, in ye Morning or Afternoon, by Reason of doing Duty  
at my other Parish also.
- 9 Once a Year comonly in ye Sum̃er Time I catechise in ye  
Church. The Parishioners send their Children & Servants  
to be instructed.
- 10 I administer ye Sacrament of ye Ld's. Supper in ye Church  
of Mapplebeck 4 Times a Year. The Number of Cõmunicants  
about 17 in all. More or less receive every Sacrament Time;  
Whereof 9 only did communicate ye last Easter.
- 11 I give open & timely Warning of ye Sacrament, before it is  
to be administred. The Parishioners do not send in their  
Names; it being a Thing that has not been aforetime used.  
I have found no Reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any One.

JOHN BRACKON Curate of Mapplebeck.

C. JOHN BRACKON. Adm., 3rd Feb., 1736. D. Chester, 19th Dec., 1731;  
P. Carlisle, 21st Sept., 1733. Carlisle Reg. 'Bracken'; literate, though the  
term is not used. (See *Winkburn*).

C.W. : George Doncaster  
John Wright

#### 104. Mansfield Woodhouse, Nottingham.

- I. One Hundred & Eighty Familys, three of which are Pres-  
byterians, no other Dissenters of any Sort.
- II. No Meeting House of any Sort.
- III. There is a Charity School endow'd by Mrs: Clarkson late of  
Mansfield. Sixteen Pounds a Year is allow'd for teaching  
Ten Boys & Ten Girls, & the Master allow'd over & above  
a House Rent free & Coals. Wm: Sansome, Parish Clerk, is  
appointed Master by the Trustees, who duly brings the  
Children to Church with him.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, or Hospital, nor any Lands or  
Tenements left for the Repair of the Church. There are some  
small Benefactions left to the Use of the Poor. An Account  
of which is affix'd in a Frame in the Church, & the Legacys  
regularly distributed at ye Times appointed, by ye Curate,  
& Overseers.

- V. No, the Lord Bishop of Lichfield & Coventry requiring me to reside at West-Hallam, a Rectory in his Lordship's Diocese, to which I was instituted & inducted about six year's ago. Five Miles from Derby, & Twelve from Mansfield-Woodhouse
- VI. Yes, The Revnd: James Lynam M:A: is Curate, who was licens'd to the same Curacy in my Predecessor's Time by his late Grace of York & has an Allowance of 30 Pound's p Ann: He boards in Town, there being no Parsonage House belonging the Curacy.
- VII. Not of any.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read in the Church One Sunday twice, the Sunday following in the Forenoon only; in the Afternoon the Service is perform'd in the Church at Skegby, a small Parish 2 Miles distant from it, & which is annex'd to it.
- IX. During all the Fast of Lent, & the Children & Servants are very constant in their Attendance upon it.
- X. The first Sunday in every Month, & at Christmas Easter, & Whitsunday. There are usually betwixt Thirty & Forty who receive Monthly, & at Easter last They were about Eighty who did communicate.
- XI. Open, & timely Warning of the Sacrament is given the Sunday before it is administered. And the Parishioners usually give Notice of their Intentions to receive. The Sacrament has not been refus'd to any One, since I have had the Curacy
- I am, Your Grace's most dutiful Son & Servant  
WILLIAM CLARKE, Curate of Mansfield-Woodhouse.

C. WILLIAM CLARKE. Adm., 11th Dec., 1741. D. York, 18th July, 1731; P. York, 4th June, 1732. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1729. 'R. of Heanor, Derbyshire, 1737-88'. Venn. (See *West Hallam* and *Skegby*).

A.C. JAMES LYNAM. Lic., 20th Dec., 1737. D. London, 1st June, 1735; P. London, 8th Dec., 1737. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1733; M.A., 1737. (See *Skegby*).

C.W. : Jervas Hooton  
John Bullock.

105. [West-Markham,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

West-Markham

In the Deanary of Retford.

Ans. forty families. no dissenters.

Ans. No meeting house.

Ans. There is the in town (*sic*) a School free for all the town children. there is yearly allowed (tho' not as yet fixed) eight pounds for the maintenance of the Master, & he takes care to instruct the children in what this article requires, and brings them to church as the canon directs.



- Ans. No Alms-House, no Hospital, one pound five shillings a year to the Poor and is duly applied.
- Ans. I do reside upon my Cure & in the Parsonage House.
- Ans. I have no Curate:
- Ans. I do not know of any that are not baptized, or that are baptized & of a competent age not confirmed.
- Ans. The Service in my Church is twice performed every Lord's day.
- Ans. I Catechise every Sunday in Lent and the Parishioners send their children & servants to be Catechised.
- Ans. The Sacrament is administred three times in the year. I reckon Seventy communicants in the Parish. between thirty & forty usually communicate, and last Easter between forty & fifty.
- Ans. I give timely notice when the Sacrament is to be administred. My Parishioners do not send in their names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

V. THOMAS PEETE. Inst. and lic. to pr., 14th July, 1739. D. Lincoln, 22nd Dec., 1728; P. York, 5th Aug., 1733. Clare Coll. Camb., B.A., 1727.

C.W. : William Johnson  
John Wood

# 106. **East Markham, Retford.**

- I. In this Parish are about 142 Families, out of wch. there is only one Dissenter, viz. a Quaker.
- II. We have no Meeting House in our Parish—
- III. There is a Charity-School, with an Endowmt. of 10 Pounds a Year, for wch. are taught 20 Children, & good Care taken of them in ye Respects herein mention'd.—
- IV. There is nothing left to ye Church but for pious Uses about 1li—2s p An: in ye Direction of Jno. Kirke Esqr. I have heard of no Abuses in ye Management thereof.—
- V. The Vicar having another Living at Retford has there personally resided, till of late, who upon Account of his Age & Infirmities is gone to live with his daughter, ye Wife of Mr. Ra: Yoward in Collier-Gate, York.
- VI. There being no convenient Place at Et. Markham to board at, ye late Curates have boarded at some neighbouring Place ye last but one at Milton, ye last of all at my School House in Tuxford. It is not above a quarter of an Hour's Walk from Et. Markham. There has been no Duty omitted or neglected Since I was admitted Curate of ye Parish. My Allowance is 30ll: p An:
- VII. There are not any yt. I know of.
- VIII. Publick Service is only perform'd once every Lord's-Day in ye Church of East-Markham, there being another Living (viz. West-Drayton at 2½ Miles distance) consolidated with

it, where Publick Service is likewise perform'd once every Lord's-Day. Service is likewise perform'd at Et. Markham on all Saints Days & other Days appointed except when there is no Congregation.

- XI. I have catechis'd once a Year on Wednesdays & Fridays during ye whole Season of Lent, & likewise three Times betwixt ye Confirmation & ye 1st. Notice of it.
- X. The Sacrament is administred four Times in ye Year. The Number of Communicants are generally betwixt 20 & 30 at a Time. On Good-Friday we had about twenty Communicants, on Easter-Day about forty, both wch. Days make together about Sixty at yt. Season. The Number of Commun: in ye whole Parish are about 220.—
- XI. I always give Warning for ye Sacrament on ye Sunday before it is to be administred. Our Parishioners do not Send in their Names. I have refused ye Sacrament to no one.

V. THOMAS GYLBY. Inst., 10th Jan., 1709. (See *Retford, West and East, and West Drayton*).

A.C. WILLIAM RICHARDSON. Lic., 14th May, 1741. D. Oxford, 2nd March, 1728; P. Lincoln, 1st June, 1740. Ball. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1728. (See *Tuxford*).

C.W. : John Pettinger  
Joshua Bingham

### 107. Misne [Missen], Retford.

- I. We have about seventy Families, not one dissenter.
- II. We have no Meeting house.
- III. here is a School, to the maintenance of wch. the Parishioners voluntarily contribute four or five pounds a year; twenty or thirty children are taught in it, who are instructed according to the doctrine of the Church of England, & duly brought to Church.
- IV. Here are some small Charity's to the Poor of the Parish amounting in the whole to two pounds, one shilling, & eight pence a year, all of 'em under the direction of the Minister, & officers of the Parish, except ten shillings charg'd upon some lands in Everton, wch. the Donor has not put under the direction of any one, nor nominated anyone to receive for the use of the poor: but I neither know, nor have heard of any Abuses or frauds comitted in the management of any of 'em.
- V. I do not reside personally here, where there is no house that is convenient for me, tho' I have been at the charge of making the Vicarage a much better house than it has ever been known in the memory of any one. by the indulgence of yr. Grace's Predecessours I have always personally resided at Everton
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I know of none



- VIII. On one part of the Lords day I perform duly the publick service here on the other I attend the service at Everton.
- IX. I usually catechise here in the Lent Season, sometimes on the first Sunday in the month, when most of the Parishioners send their children & servants.
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd four times a year, the number of Coñunicants is generally about fifty, it was so at Easter last.
- XI. Open & timely warning of the Sacrament is always given. it has not been the Custom for the Parishioners to send in their names, nor have I had occasion to refuse the Sacrament to any one.

On the heads above I have nothing wch. I think fit to offer to yr. Grace.

JN. FOSS Vicar of Missen

V. JOHN FOSS. Inst., 5th Sept., 1715. Disp. for non-res. by Abp., 21st Sept., 1726. (See *Castleford* and *Everton*).

C.W. : John Hineley  
John Drabwell

108. [Mattersey,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

Mattersey in the County of Nottingham and Deanry of Retford.

Answer to

Q. 1. Thirty seven Families. One Quaker.

2 None.

3 We have a small Benefaction proposed to Us for the Education of seven poor Boys, but not yet perfected.

4 We have a Bequest of five Pounds a year, under the Direction of the Church-Wardens for the Time, And no Abuse or Fraud has appeared.

5 I attend my Cure personally, but do not reside in the Vicarage House, which tho' in better Repair, than has been known in the Memory of the Parishioners, Yet on Account of its Situation, Smallness, and other Inconveniences, my Residence in that House is impracticable.

6 No Curate.

7 None

8 Publick Service is perform'd twice on the Lord's-Day.

9 The Parishioners send their Children and Servants to be instructed in their Catechism on Sundays from Easter to Whitsontide. The School-master, who has lately taught the Children on the Prospect of the Benefaction mentioned above, catechises them Weekly.

10 Four times. About Fifty Communicants. Number of those who usually receive from Twenty five to Thirty. At Easter last about Thirty six.

11. Notice is properly given of the Sacrament to be administred—  
The Parishioners sending in their Names has not been usually  
observed. No irregularity under the other Questions.  
I have Nothing to offer to your Grace under the last Articles.  
JOHN LUDLAM. Vicr.

V. JOHN LUDLAM. Inst. and lic. to pr., 5th Apr., 1732. D. York, 16th  
Aug., 1730; P. York, 18th July, 1731. St. John's Coll. Camb. ,B.A., 1726.  
(See *Bawtry* and *Harworth*).

C.W. : John Thompson  
Thomas Jubb

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109. **Misterton,  
Retford.**

- I. two hundred & forty families fourteen of which are dissenters  
nine who call themselves general Baptists<sup>1</sup> three Quakers  
one Roman Catholick one Presbyterian— — —
- II. We have one Meeting house—endow'd with seven pounds a  
year which ye teacher tells me is licensed, they call them-  
selves General Baptists they assemble once every thursday,  
twice every other Sunday, Their Teacher Joseph Machin
- III. In West Stockwith they have five pounds left for ye Yearly  
teaching of ten decayed Shipcarpenters or Saylour's Children.
- IV. One Hospital for ten decay'd Ship Carpenters, Sailours, or  
their Widows, each are to have three pounds yearly paid  
em, besides a Chapel endow'd with forty five pounds pr  
annum, the direction of which Charity is invested in Six of  
ye Best freeholders, wth whom the rest of ye inhabitants  
are now engaged in a Chancery Suit about ye management  
of it—we have besides two pounds towards ye yearly main-  
tainance (*sic*) of two aged & poor people; three pounds  
eighteen shillings; twelve penny loaves to be disposed of ye  
first Sunday in every Calendar Month, all which are to be  
directed & disposed of at ye discretion of ye Minister Church-  
wardens & Overseers of ye Poor
- V. I do not reside here but at Beckingham
- VI. no residing Curate
- VII. I know of none
- VIII. once every Sunday two Sundays in ye afternoon & ye third  
in ye Morning
- IX. Once every week during the time of Lent when the Children  
in ye Parish generally attend
- X. five times Yearly, about five hundred Coñunicants, about  
seventy generally receive, & at both the Sacraments at last  
Easter about one hundred & twenty five, besides those that  
received at West Stockwith Chapel of Which I suppose Mr  
Pindar<sup>2</sup> the Chaplain of that hospital will give an account—

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix C.

<sup>2</sup> Robert Pinder (see *West Stockwith*).



- XI. I constantly give notice the Sunday before, sending in their names is quite disused amongst us, as yet I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

I am My Lord

Your Gracès most obedient humble Servant

THO: RICHARDSON Curate

C. THOMAS RICHARDSON. Adm. by D. and Ch. of York, 1st March, 1727.  
(See *South Wheatley* and *Beckingham*).

C.W. Old: John Walter  
William White

New: George Mote  
William James

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110. **South Muskham,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. I have 41 Families in my Parish & none of y<sup>m</sup> are Dissenters.
- II. I have no Licens'd or other Meeting House in my Parish.
- III. There is a Charity School endow'd in ye Parish, but in a very ruinous Condition, to w<sup>ch</sup> belong 5*l* p a<sup>n</sup>n: & 20s to be laid out in 5 Bibles, but ye Salary has not been paid for several years last past. Ye Pso<sup>n</sup> who ought to pay it is ye pse<sup>n</sup>t Ld. Middleton.\* I have offered my Service to wait upon his Ld.ship with some of ye principal Inhabitants of ye Parish (who are all his Tenants) to desire a Continuance of ye Benefaction, but have not yet been able to prevail upon y<sup>m</sup> to go with me. As I am inform'd ye Thing was left by Will by his Ldship's Grand Mother.
- IV. There is no Alms-House in ye Parish or other Charitable Endowment, except ye School above-mentioned; Nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for ye repair of our Church.
- V. I don't reside personally upon my Cure, but at a convenient Distance for Supplying it, & I take Care yt it be duly Supplied. Ye reason of my Non-Residence is, because ye Income of my Living is small, & ye Vicarage House (tho' kept in good repair considering w<sup>t</sup> it is) not fit for a Clergyman to live in.
- VI. No.
- VII. No.
- VIII. The publick Service is read in our Church once every Lord's Day: ye reason why I am not able to read it oftener is because I serve ye Cure of another Place in your Grace's Diocese (viz Weston) to w<sup>ch</sup> I was licens'd by ye late Arch-Bishop.
- IX. I Catechise in my Church every Sunday during ye Season of Lent, & sometimes on Wednesdays & Fridays; & my Parish-ioners duly send y<sup>r</sup> Children to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd four times in ye Year. Ye Number of Communicants is ābt 91. 32 of

\* Francis, 2nd Baron Middleton who succeeded his father in 1729 and died in 1758.

y<sup>m</sup> usually receive; & to ye best of my remembrance at Easter last communicated above 40.

- XI. I always give open & timely Warning of ye Sacrament before it is administer'd; but my Parishioners don't send in y<sup>r</sup> Names to me, tho' it be enjoyn'd in ye Rubrick before ye Communion Service, nor am I acquainted with any one Parish where it is done. I have never had Reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any.

HENRY CLARKE.

V. HENRY CLARKE. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 20th Jan., 1726 (*sic*), obviously 1736. D. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1735; P. Chester, 19th Dec., 1736. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1731. (See *Weston*).

C.W. : William Linney  
William Graves

111. [Morton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).]

(Not written on the printed Form).

My Lord

My answers to your Graces. Questions are as followeth.

- 1 I have twenty two Families in my Parish. No Dissenter of any Denomination.
- 2 I have neither licens'd, nor other meeting House.
- 3 There is neither a School endowd, or otherwise maintaind in ye Parish.
- 4 There is a Benefaction of one Pound five shillings p year for ye Instruction of four poor Children at a school in Fiskerton. No Alms House or Hospital, no Lands or Tenements for ye Repair of ye Church, or any other pious uses, except as above-mentiond. & yt is properly managed.
- 5 I neither reside upon my Cure, nor in my Parsonage House. I reside in my Vicarage House at Southwell & yt is ye Reason of my non-Residence there.
- 6 I have None.
- 7 I do not know any.
- 8 Public Service is read in my Church once evry Lords Day, & yt in ye Morning. so it comes yt it is not twice done, yt I am obliged to attend ye Church of Southwell in ye afternoon as Lecturer.
- 9 I intend to catechise three Months in ye Summer. but whether ye Parishioners will send yr Children & Servants for yt Purpose I dont know. NB I have been lately admitted to ye Curacy.
- 10 I propose to administer ye Sacrament four Times in ye Year. yr are forty eight whom I should be Glad to call communicants. ten I am informed usually receive. fourteen did communicate last Easter.
11. Notice is (or generally) given ye Sunday before. ye Parishioners do not send in yr Names. nor does it appear yt it has



been customary so to do in yt Parish. I have found no Reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any Person.

- 1 I have hitherto met with no difficulties in ye discharge of my Duty.
- 2 I have subscribed to ye Canons & Discipline of ye Church, & yr fore must acquiesce therewith, till an alteration shall be made by a proper authority.
- 3 I have discoverd neither Abuse nor Corruption.
- 4 I neither Presume to give Advice nor make Proposals upon yt head, that I leave to my Superiors, & particularly to Yr Graces Judgment, whose Promotion to ys See I beg Leave heartily to congratulate, & to subscribe my self My Lord Your Graces most dutiful son, & obedient humble Servant

THO: FELLOWS Curate of Morton—

Southwell Sepr 13 1743.

C. THOMAS FELLOWS. Adm. by Chapter of Southwell, 20th Jan., 1742. D. Norwich, 22nd Dec., 1728; P. Lincoln, 13 June, 1731. Wadham Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1729; M.A., 1735.

C.W. : Jacob Cubit.

## 112. Normanton upon Trent, Newark.

- I. There are in the Parish of Normanton about forty famalies (*sic*), But only one Dissenter a Quaker by profession.
- II. There is no Licens'd or other Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School, endowed, or otherwise maintain'd in this Parish. there is one private English School in which betwixt twenty & Thirty Children are generally taught. The Master takes good care to teach 'em the Catechism & by his & the Parents Care they attend Church very well.
- IV. There is not in this Parish any Alms-house, Hospital or other Charitable endowment. There has been no Lands or Tenements left for the repair of this Church; Edmund Nicholson Esqr left some Lands to the Value of 6*l* p annum. it is managed by the overseers of the Poor & annually Distributed without fraud or abuse so far as I know.
- V. I do not constantly reside tho' generally a good part of my time is spent at Normanton. one reason of my boarding att Marnham is this, it is more agreeable to & is in some measure the Desire of my good friend Mr. Cartwright, at least so long as I am Single. another reason is, there is no convenient place to board in at Normanton, the farmers are engaged in other business & the rest are either not able or willing to take me in.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church that are not Baptized: nor any, that being Baptized, and of competent age, who are not confirmed.

- VIII. The Publick Service is performed (*sic*) once every Lords-Day, one Sunday at ten in the Morning, the next at two in the afternoon, alternately. the reason Why the Publick Service is not twice done as is required is owing to the poorness of the living (it not being worth to me above 33*℥* p annum), & the Custom of the Place
- IX. I Catechise the Children every Lent three or four times; & at the beginning of Every Lent give a Publick charge in the Church to Parents & Masters to take good care to teach their Children & Servants the Catechism but none have hitherto been sent to be instructed by me except some few times before Your Graces Visitation at Newk.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred four times in the Year. The Communicants of this Parish are about Ninety, about 20, or 30, usually receive, & about fifty received last Easter.
- XI. I give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administred. The Parishioners do not send in their Names in this Neighbourhood. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one

This is a true Account of the Above Articles, Witness my hand  
 JOHN LEYLAND, Vicr.  
 Marnham Sepr. 12th. 1743.

V. JOHN LEYLAND. Inst., 28th Apr., 1742. D. Lincoln, 25th Sept., 1737; P. Lincoln, 18th Dec., 1737. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1736. (See *Marnham*).

C.W. : Peter Killener  
 Thomas Wilmott

### 113. Newark, Newark.

- I. There are about 700 Families in my Parish. We have 2 Roman Catholicks, & 1 Quaker.
- II. We have no Licens'd or other Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. There is a publick Grammar School endow'd with an House and 22*l* a year, and a Song School endow'd with 31 (*sic*) a year, and an House. there are as I am inform'd by the Revnd Mr Broughton the present Grammar Schoolmaster about 20 Boys taught, who are instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion and go duly to Church.
- IV. There is my Parish (*sic*) an Alms House, and an Hospital. Several Houses, Lands, & Summs of Mony have been left for the Benefit of the Poor, and likewise Lands and Tene-ments for the Repair of my Church. The Mayor, Aldermen, 12 Inhabitants chosen by Them, 2 call'd Commoners, chosen by the Inhabitants, the Churchwardens and my self have the Direction of many Benefactions, which are well manag'd. But we have heard of Abuses committed in the Management of Some.
- V. I reside Personally upon my Cure, but not in my Vicarage House.



- VI. I have 2 Residing Curates, but not licens'd. they do not live in the Vicarage House. I allow to one of them 40l a Year to the other 5 shillings a Sermon, and over & above that, I make him a Present of 5 Guineas every half Year.
- VII. I know of none
- VIII. The Publick Service is read in my Church twice every Day, and duly perform'd twice every Lord's Day.
- IX. The Children are usually Catechis'd in Lent. but the Parishioners do not duly send their Children & Servants to be instructed by me, or my Curates.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church every Month. there are about 60 who receive usually. About 400 did communicate at Easter last.
- XI. Open and timely Warning of the Sacrament is given. But the Parishioners do not send in their Names. I never refus'd the Sacrament to Any.

upon these last Particulars I have nothing to offer. I am with all possible Veneration and Duty, My Lord, Your Grace's most Obedient and very Humble Servant

Newark June 29th 1743

B. WILSON.

V. BERNARD WILSON. Inst., 17th Apr., 1719. D. London, 16th March, 1711; P. Lincoln, 26th Feb., 1715. Disp. to hold R. of Winthorpe by Abp. of Canterbury, 10th Nov., 1719. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1710; B.A., 1712; M.A., 1719; D.D., 1737. 'Member of Gentlemen's Society at Spalding,' *Venn*. Preb. of 2nd Stall, at Worcester, 13th Oct., 1734. Preb. of Louth at Lincoln, 18th Nov., 1730. Preb. of Curborough, at Lichfield, 11th June, 1730. See *D.N.B.* xxi. 555.

A.C. GEORGE WAKEFIELD. D. Lincoln, 22nd Feb., 1740. Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1740.

A.C. EDWARD BROUGHTON. (See *Barnby*).

Master of Gr. Sch. The same EDWARD BROUGHTON.

C.W. : Mr William Linthwaite

Mr Thomas Mills

Assistants : Solomon Cleaver

Francis Marshall.

*Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. She appeared; on 8th Dec., a certificate exhibited on their behalf, and they were dismissed.

#### 114. Saint Peter in Nottingham, Nottingham.

- I. There are four hundred Families in my Parish. One third, I believe, are Dissenters. Of these there are various Sorts Presbyterians<sup>1</sup>, Independents, Anabaptists, Quakers and three Families of Papists.
- II. I have not any Licensed Meeting House in my Parish. I believe Mass is performed generally every Sunday and Holyday in a private Room belonging to the House of Mrs Willoughby<sup>2</sup> in this Parish, but by whom I cannot tell.
- III. I have not any publick or Charity School in my Parish.
- IV. There is not any Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix B.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix A.

Endowment in my Parish. Nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for the Repair of our Church. There are several small Benefactions for the Use of the Poor under the Direction of the Rector and Churchwardens, which are managed without any Frauds or Abuses according to the Wills of the Donors.

- V. I reside personally upon my Cure and in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have a Curate Assistant duly qualified according to the Canons residing with me in my Parsonage House. He was licensed to serve my Cure and the Cure of Colwick a Mile from hence by the late Archbishop; and the Rector of that place and I allow him forty pounds a year.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church that are not baptized. But I believe several come who are baptized and are of a Competent Age and not confirmed.
- VIII. Publick Service is performed twice every Lord's day in my Church. Twice every Wednesday and Fryday. Once upon every Holy-day at least and twice upon many of them.
- IX. I catechise in my Church on the last Sunday in every Month, excepting the three Winter Months, an Hour before service begins in the afternoon. But I cannot say that my Parishioners send their Children and Servants, so duly as they ought, to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred in my Church upon Christmas day, Good fryday, Easterday, Whitsunday and the first Sunday in every Month. I believe there are upwards of three hundred Persons who receive the Sacrament at Church and a great Number who, I hope, will be brought to it in a short time. Seventy is the usual Number of Communicants; Sometimes I have a hundred: at Easter last I had above two hundred.
- XI. I always give Warning of the Sacrament on the Lords day before it is administred. It is not the usual Custom in this Parish for the Parishioners to send in their Names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

If any thing occurs to me as to the particulars last mentioned which I can think worthy of your Grace's Notice I will take the Liberty of laying it before your Grace. At present I only beg leave to subscribe myself your Grace's most dutifull Son and obedient humble Servant

EDW. CHAPPELL Rr of St. Peter's Nottingham

R. EDWARD CHAPPELL. Inst. and lic. to pr., 27th Oct., 1725. D. York, 21st Sept., 1718; P. York, 25th Sept., 1720. Disp. to hold R. of Thorpe with *S. Peter's* by Abp. of Canterbury, 18th April, 1741. Jesus Coll. Camb., Scho., B.A., 1717; M.A., 1722. (See *Thorpe near Newark*).

A.C. CHARLES HUTCHINSON. Lic., 21st Nov., 1734. Approv. as P. by Abp. 26th Sept., 1735. (See *Willoughby (Notts.)* and *Colwick*).

C.W. : Mr Philip Strelley  
Mr William Edge.

Assistants : Mr Richard Gibson  
Mr Matthew Hart.



**115. Saint Nicholas in Nottingham,  
Nottingham.**

- I. We have 228 familys; of wch 143 are of ye Establisht Church. Presbyterians or else Independents. 73. Quakers Six. Papist one. Anabaptists five.
- II. We have in or pish An Anabaptist meeting-house\*, in wch they assemble Every Lord's day, in number 30 or 40. We have also a Quakers meeting house\*; But I am told they have no Speaking, but when a Stranger comes amongst them. The Anabaptists are taught by one Geo: Eaton.
- III. We have not any Charity School.
- IV. We have an Hospital built & Endow'd about 50 Years ago, by one Mr Collins. Mr Abel Smith of this Town has ye Chief direction of it, & I believe does it faithfully and Conscientiously. We have no Lands &c left for ye repairs of our Church; or for Any other pious Use.
- V. I do reside personally in my Parsonage house.
- VI. I Have no Curate here.
- VII. I know of no Unbaptiz'd persons who come to Church: Nor of any of competent age, who are not Confirm'd.
- VIII. Publick Service is read twice, & two Sermons preacht. in my Church twice, Every Lord's day. Publick Service is is (*sic*) also read on Wednesdays Frydays & Holidays.
- IX. I Catechize twice a week during ye time of Lent: and also at other times, as my health & Strength will permit.— I cannot much blame my pishners for neglecting to send their Children & Servants to be instructed by me——
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd on ye Second Sunday in Every Month: & also on ye greater Festivals. I Have about 450 Coñunicants. At ye monthly Sacraments 50. 60 or 70 usually receive. At Easter last more than One hundred.
- XI. I give warning of ye Sacramt. according to ye Rubrick. My pishners do not send me their Names. I Have refus'd ye Sacrament to no one: but have advizd yt a person shoud abstain from ye holy table for a Season: wch has had a good effect.

One of ye greatest difficultys yt I have met with in ye discharge of my duty is from the Methodists, whose head Quarters are in my parish. I Hope in a short time to be able to give your Grace a more agreeable account of these people than can be given at present by yr most dutiful Servt.

JOHN ABSON.

\* See Appendix C.

R. JOHN ABSON. Inst., 22nd July, 1714. D. York, 19th June, 1712; P. Oxford, 23rd May, 1714. Disp. to hold V. of Rolleston, by Abp. of Canterbury, 4th Dec., 1727. Linc. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1711; M.A., 1715. Preb. of Eton at Southwell, 2nd June, 1720; Proctor in Convocation for Chapter of Southwell.

C.W. : Mr John Kelsall  
 Mr James Clayton.  
 Assistants : Mr John Place  
 Mr John Else.

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**116. Nuthall,  
 Nottingham.**

- I. In this Parish there are Sixty four Familys & two Families of Dissenters the one an Anabaptist the other a Quaker
- II. There is no Meeting House of any Sort in the Parish
- III. There is no Charity or Publick School in the Parish—
- IV. In this Parish there is no Alms House Hospitall or other Charitable endowment
- V. I personally reside at Lynby in the Parsonage House there—
- VI. I have a Resideing Curate qualified according to the Canons who Chuses to board with one in the Town rather than with the Tenant at the Paronage (*sic*) House & I allow him fifteen pound a year & the Surplice Fees—
- VII. I know of none that come to the Church that are not baptizd nor of any that are of competent age that are not confirmed—
- VIII. Publick service is read here every Lords day one part of the day, the other part of the day the Curate reads publick service at Hucknall Torkard
- IX. The Children are here Catechised every Lent & the Parishioners send their Children & servants indifferently well—
- X. The Sacrament is administerd four times a year the number of Communicants in the Parish is 169 but not above twenty usually recieve (*sic*) nor many above thirty at Easter
- XI. Publick warning for the Celebration of the Sacrament is openly given the Sunday before it is administerd, & I do not know of any to whom it has been refusd nor is it customary here for the Parishioners to send in their names before they intend to recieve.

I have nothing to offer to these Questions—I am My Lord Your Graces most Dutifull & most obedient Son & servant

ANDREW MATTHEWS.

R. ANDREW MATTHEWS. Inst., 20th Sept., 1729. Lic. to pr. by Abp., 30th Sept., 1719. D. Chester, 4th June, 1710; P. York, 20th Dec., 1711. Jesus Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1709; St. John's Coll. Camb., M.A., 1721. Preb. of Sacrista (*al. Segeston*) Southwell, 28th Feb., 1733. (See *Lindley and Annesley*).

A.C. THOMAS CARTER. Lic., 19th Nov., 1736. D. Linc., 24th Dec., 1724; P. Lond., 19th Sept., 1736. Emm. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1728; M.A., 1732. (See *Hucknall Torkard*).

C.W. : Edward Richards  
 John Wallew.



**117. Norton Cuckney,  
Retford.**

- I. 139 Families, of wch 10 are Papists.
- II. The Papists meet at a Farm House one Sunday in a Month & have a Priest from Spinkill<sup>1</sup>.
- III. We have two Schools one at Cuckney & one at Langwith. 40 sh: a Year is paid to both by ye Right Honble: ye Lord Bathurst for teaching at each School five Poor Children.
- IV. We have no Alms-House, &c.
- V. I do reside at ye Vicarige House
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. We have no Persons, I believe, yt come to ye Church who have not been baptized; but there are of a competent Age a few wo (*sic*) are not confirm'd
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd in our Church every Lord's-Day in ye Morning & likewise in ye Evening in summer time & also in ye Winter when ye Countess of Oxford is not at Welbeck
- IX. I catechise on Sunday's in ye Afternoon most of ye Summer: The greatest part take care to send their Children.
- X. The Sacrament is administerd four times in a Year: I believe we had about an hundred Communicants last Easter.
- XI. Timely Warning is given; The Parishioners do not send in their Names. The Sacrament has not been refused by me to any of ye Inhabitants of ys Parish.

C. JOHN RICHARDSON. Adm., 17th Aug., 1730. (See *Sutton-upon-Lound*).

C.W. : Jonathan Chapman  
John Prestley

The Archbishop notes, "Mass once a month. A Priest from Spinkett" (*sic*).

**118. Norwell,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. There are about one Hundred & five Families in ye Parish, but none of them dissenters of any Sort.
- II. There is one Quaquers (*sic*) Meeting House<sup>2</sup> which is licenced at Carlton; But their assemblies (*sic*) very uncertain & very few their Mumbers (*sic*) & no certain teacher:
- III. There is a Charity School, wherein are taught twenty poor Children & instructed in ye Principles of ye Christian Religion part taught by Contributions & ye rest by endowment
- IV. There is not any Alms-house, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment but those mention'd before belonging to ye Shool (*sic*)—
- V. I do reside Personally upon my Cure & in the Parsonage House
- VI. [Blank]

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix A.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix C.

- VII. I do not know or believe yt we have who come (*sic*) to ye Church, but who are baptized, no (*sic*) any of competent age who are not confirmed.
- VIII. The publick Service in my Church is read every Sunday in ye Morning, except when a Sacrament administer'd at Carlton, which is a Chappel of Ease, & at ye said Chappel in ye after Noon
- IX. I Catechise & expound it ye Lent Season & ye Parishioners send their Children & Servants diligently
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred six times in a year at the Mother Church & three times at ye Chappel of ease; ye Number of Communicants at Norwell about seventy & at Carlton about twenty last Easter
- XI. I give open & timely warning of the Sacrament before it is administred; & have not refused it to any of late Years.

V. of 1st Mediety, JOHN TOWNSEND. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 17th Apr., 1717. D. Lich. and Cov., 25th Sept., 1715; P. York, 27th Sept., 1717. Wadham Coll. Oxon. B.A.

V. of 2nd Mediety. The same JOHN TOWNSEND. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 17th Apr., 1718.

C.W. (Norwell) : William Hindson

Adam Cordwell.

C.W. (Carlton Chapel) : Mr William Leek

Mr George Hutton.

### 119. Orston, Bingham.

- I. Threescore or upwards? One is a Dissenter but does not profess himself of any Particular Sect.
- II. There is no Meeting houses
- III. There is no Publick or Private School.
- IV. There is no Benefactions of any sort.
- V. I am in an infirm state of health, and am advis'd for the Benefit of the Air, to retire to the place of my Nativity. Where I am employ'd by the Rector of Fillingham in Lincolnshire, where I behave myself sedulous in my Calling, and can at any time produce suitable certificates.
- VI. I have a Resident Curate who is desirous of being Licenc'd when it is agreeable to his most Reverend Diocesan. The Vicarage is let for fifty Pounds a year at present but is sometimes under, and I make my Curate an appointment of five and thirty Pounds a year besides Surplus (*sic*) fees.
- VII. My Parishoners are very conformable to the ordinances of the Church of England
- VIII. Divine service is regularly perform'd as the Act of Uniformity and Cannons of the Church require twice every Lords Day at Orston or the Chappels.
- IX. The Children are constantly Catechiz'd in the season of Lent, and the Parishoners are regular in sending their Children and Servants to be instructed.



- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is regularly administr'd as the Cannons and Rubrick require and seldom less than Twelve times in the year. The Parishoners are constant in their attendance at the Lords Table, & out of threescore families or upwards, there were nor fewer then (*sic*) fifty who communicated last Easter.
- XI. I am conformable to the Rubrick in Warning the Sacrament, and have no reason to complain of any irregularities in my Parishoners.

V. THOMAS WAKEFIELD. Inst. and lic. to pr., 22nd March, 1742. D. Linc., 21st March, 1735; P. Linc., 28th May, 1738. Trin. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1735.

C.W. : Stephen Olliver  
John Wiseman.

C.W. (Scarrington Chapel) : Thomas Ludlow.  
C.W. (Thoroton Chapel) : Thomas Marriott.

120. [Ordsall,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

Answers return'd by Thomas Cockshutt Rector of Ordsall in the Deanry of Retford to the Paper of Questions sent to him [&c.] To the, 1st. There are about Sixty Families in this Parish, One of them Quakers.

- 2nd No Meeting House in the Parish.
- 3rd No publick or Charity School.
- 4th We have five Pounds A Year left to our Poor, which is apply'd according to the Intent & Direction of the Founders.
- 5th I do not reside at Ordsall, but at Peniston, of which I am Vicar, my Dispensation was exhibited at your Graces Visitation at Sheffield.
- 6th I have not at present A Curate resident in the Parish, but the Duty is well discharg'd by Mr. Heald Rector of Babworth, to which Living he was lately Instituted by your Grace, the Churches are but one Mile distant, and the Parishes small, I have had this Living but A small Time, Mr. Heald did the Duty whilst ye Living was under Sequestration and continues to do so at my Request till I can get A proper Curate, which I hope to do in A few weeks, I allow thirty Pounds A Year.
- 7th I do not.
- 8th Publick Service is duely perform'd once every Lord's Day, the present officiating Curate Mr. Heald does the Duty here & at his own Church Babworth, Morning & Evening Alternately
- 9th The late Rector always Catechised in Lent, & the Parishoners (I am inform'd) as to the Remainder of this Query behaved well.
- 10th The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in our Church on Palm Sunday, Easter Day, Whitsunday, at Michaelmas & on Christmas Day, There are above one

hundred Persons of Age to be Communicants, about Sixty usually receive, At Easter last betwixt sixty & seventy did communicate.

- 11th Open & timely Warning of the Sacrament is always given before it is administred. It is not customary for the Parishioners to send in their Names. The Sacrament has not been refused to any one.

To the Rest I have Nothing to say.

R. THOMAS COCKSHUTT. Inst., 9th Apr., 1743; lic. to pr., 8th Jan., 1739. Disp. to hold also V. of Penistone by Abp. of Canterbury, 3rd March, 1742. (See *Penistone and Cawthorne*).

A.C. THOMAS HEALD. (See *Babworth*).

C.W. : Stephen Hemsworth

William Richardson

Abp. notes 'Query—Does the present Rector catechise?'

**121. Oxton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. In this parish are abt. a hundred & four Families, of which one are Quakers, two Anabaptists & two Presbyterians.
- II. Here is no Meeting House of any kind.
- III. Here is no publick Charity School.
- IV. Here is no Alms-House: but here is one pound left yearly payable for preaching a Sermon on Novembr. 5th, & the said Summ to Ye poor who attend Church on that Day. To ye poor to be laid out in Wool abt. Michaelmas is left two pounds. As also two Closes, Rent 1=15=0 yearly belong to the said poor.
- V. I do not reside here, being oblig'd to reside by virtue of my Oath upon my Vicarage at Kneesall.
- VI. I have a Curate who lives near who takes Care of the Living, but the Living is so small as not to admit of a resident Curate. I allowe 15=0=0 yearly & Surplice Fees.
- VII. There are none (as far as I can learn) who come to Church unbaptis'd, or being baptisd and of competent age are not confirm'd.
- VIII. The Service is publickly perform'd once every Lords-Day either Morning or Afternoon.
- IX. Catechism is performed in Lent, & parents & masters send their Children decently & regularly to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd here four Times in a year. The Communicants are generally abt. forty, & were abt. that Number at Easter.
- XI. Timely Notice for receiving the Communion is always given. None, I think, have been refus'd.

I hear of no Difficulties the Curate makes in the Discharge of his Office. He makes no Complaints of the Discipline of the Church, nor has any Faults to find in the Ecclesiastical Officers.

THO: COOPER



Sequestrator: THOMAS COOPER. D. York, 1st Dec., 1717; P. York, 20th Sept., 1719. Peterhouse, Camb. Scho., 1716; B.A., 1716. (See *Kneesall with Upton*).

C.W. : Thomas Blatherwick  
John Tailbey.

*For Cohabiting*.—A.B. and C.D. presented for Cohabiting as man and wife and for having no Marriage Certificate. Excommunicated, 1st Sept., 1743; Denounced, 23rd Dec., 1744.

*Note*.—THOMAS MARSHALL was Inst. V. by the Chapter of Southwell, 17th Apr., 1746. D. Rochester, 18th Dec., 1743; P. York, 25th Sept., 1744.

## 122. Ollerton, Retford.

- I. The Number of Families in Ollerton are about Sixty eight, & Seven families of ym. are Papists.\*
- II. We have one Popish Chappel in Ollerton; And they do assemble almost every Lords Day; but in what numbers I cannot very well tell.
- III. No Charity School at Ollerton
- IV. We have no Alms-house or Hospital at Ollerton but we have 7 pounds a year in Lands left for ye Repair of the Chapel. The Church Wardens for ye time being are Trustees who do apply it to ye uses it were left for, without any Abuse or fraud that I have heard of—
- V. My Personal Residence is in ye Vicarage House at Edwinstow
- VI. [Blank].
- VII. I know of none who come to Ollerton Church yt. are not Baptized; but some of a Competent age are not Confirmd.
- VIII. Publick Service perform'd at Ollerton every other Sunday in the Afternoon; in ye same manner as at the other Chapels of Palethorp & Carburton; & has never been us'd to be perform'd oftner—
- IX. Catechizing at Ollerton once a fortnight on Sunday in ye Afternoon during Lent & at other convent. Times. It were to be wishd ye Parishioners wd. send their children & Servants more duly
- X. Here the Sacramt. is administer'd 4 sevl. times in the year, that is to say, Good Friday, Whitsunday, Michmas, & Xmass—Number of Coñunicants are about one hundred & Sixty, & abt. 40 of ym. received last Easter.
- XI. Open & timely Warning giv'n of the Sacramt. before it is administerd, They do not usually send in yr. Names as may be required; I have not refused the Sacramt. to any one.—

As to these last mentioned Articles I find No reason to Object any thing

JOHN MEYRICK Vicar of Edwinstow

\* See Appendix A.

V. (of Edwinstowe) JOHN MEYRICK. (See *Edwinstowe, Carburton, and Palethorpe*).

A.C. ALEXANDER PENN. (See *Edwinstowe, Carburton, and Palethorpe*).

C.W. : Edward Smith  
William Learey.

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**123. Plumtree,  
Bingham.**

- I. there are 53 families, one of wch are Papists three Dissenters, but of what Sort they themselves know not, only they are not Churchmen, yt is the Chief of their Religion, but the difference between Presbyterians and Independents they know none.
- II. We have one licensed Meeting house Originally Presbyterian, but their present Teacher is one Sloss, who is preacher to the Independent meeting House in Nottingham,\* they assemble sometimes once and sometimes twice in ye Month. their Number is very Uncertain, as they come from Several Villages round about us.
- III. We have none—
- IV. We have none.
- V. I reside constantly in my Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I know not any
- VIII. Publick Service is duly performed twice every Lord's Day.
- IX. I Catechise during ye Lent Season every Sunday, the Parishioners send their Children but not their Servants; neither can I prevail with them to come themselves, tho' I give a large exposition of the Catechism every Sunday—
- X. The Sacrament is administred five times in ye Year: Most of the Parish come once in ye year, but seldom above thirty at a time, last Easter there were about forty.
- XI. I give open warning ye Sunday before ye Sacrament is to be administred, but my Parishioners never send in their names neither have I ever refused any one yt offered

I have nothing deserving yr Graces Notice on the last Heads.  
I am with the greatest respect and duty, Yr Grace's most obedient and most humble Servant.

CHA. WILLATS Rr of Plumtree

R. CHARLES WILLATS. Inst., 6th Jan., 1718. D. London, 8th June, 1718; P. York, 25th Jan., 1718. King's Coll. Camb., Fellow, 1715; B.A., 1716; M.A., 1720. 'Assistant Master at Eton,' *Venn*.

C.W. : Edward Hutchinson  
John Smith.

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**124. Papelwick, [Papplewick].  
Nottingham.**

- I. There is not one Dissenter in the Parish. the Number of Families is about thirty five.

\* See Appendix B.



- II. There is no Meeting House.
- III. there is no Charity School.
- IV. There is neither Alms House Hospital nor other charitable Endowment; nor have any Lands or Tenements been Left.
- V. I do not personally reside upon this Cure, but at Blidworth about two miles from Hence; this Curacy which at ye Most is fifteen Pounds a Year not being, of itself, a sufficient Maintenance for a Curate.
- VI. There is no Parsonage House. [Erased].
- VII. I do not know that there are any.
- VIII. We have publick Service once every Lords Day. every other Sunday the Service is in ye Morning.
- IX. The customary times of Catechising are ye Sundays in Lent, when ye Parishioners duly send their children to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament is Administered at least four Times a Year. I don't exactly know ye Number of Communicants, nor how many communicated at Easter Last. Last Sunday we had about fourteen that received.
- XI. I give open & timely Warning but it is not customary for ye parishioners to send in their names as required. I never had reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any.

May it please your Grace

It is but lately that I came to this Curacy, so that I cannot make my Answers to some of the foregoing Questions so Satisfactory as I would do. If any thing for the future should occur, I shall take ye Freedom to acquaint your Grace with it.

I am Your Grace's most obedient Son & Servt.

Papelwick Sep 22. 1743

R. STANLEY.

R. ROBERT STANLEY. Adm., 6th July, 1742. P. Lond., 24th Dec., 1738. At his Priest's Ordination, described as B.A. (Reg. London). (See *Blidworth*, and *S. Mary's, Nottingham*).

C.W. : Luke White  
William Rose.

## 125. Palethorpe, Retford.

- I. The Number of Families at Palethorp are Eleven, No Dissenters of any Sort.
- II. We have no Licence for any Meeting House.
- III. We have no Charity School
- IV. We have no Alms-house, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowmt., except a Vicaridge House belonging to the Vicar, which lets for 10s. a year
- V. My Personal Residence is in the Vicarage House at Edwinstow.
- VI. [Blank].
- VII. I know of none who come to Palethorp Chapel who is not Baptizd, tho' I believe some of them have not been Confirmed.

- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd here once every fortnight in the Afternoon, in the same manner as at ye other Chapels of Ollerton & Carburton; It has never been us'd to be performed any oftner
- IX. We Catechize here once a fortnight in Lent, & at other Times, The Parishioners dont duly send their Children & Servts.
- X. The Sacramt. is administer'd here at 3 sevl. Seasons in ye year, viz. Easter, Whitsuntide & Xmass. Number of Coñ-unicants are twenty eight, & about twelve of them recd. last Easter— —
- XI. Open & timely Warning given of the Sacrament before it is administer'd, a fortnight before; They do not usually send in their Names as may be requir'd; I have not refus'd the Sacramt. to any one— — —

As to these last mention'd Articles I find no reason to Object any thing

JOHN MEYRICK Vicar of Edwinstow

C. JOHN MEYRICK. (See *Edwinstowe*, *Carburton*, and *Ollerton*).

C.W. : Henry Walker.

**126. Rempston,  
Bingham.**

- I. Remston, September ye 10.  
Be pleas'd to know, my Lord, That we have only forty six families in my parish: and onely one person (a man) a Dissenter; who is a Prebyterian (*sic*).
- II. We have no Meeting-house in my Parish, now: I thank God.
- III. There is no publick Charity-School in my parish. I send eight poor Children to School; by which means, my parishioners have an opportunity of sending 15, or 20 more: who are all perfectly taught ye Chrch (*sic*) Catechism, and brought duly to Church.
- IV. We have 12 Shillings a year, Settled for bread to our poor; of which ye Church-wardens have ye direction. We have also 20 pounds, put out to interest upon good security, entrusted wth ye Minister & C-wardens for ye use of ye poor. I believe there is no miss-managemt. We have, yet, no other Charity.
- V. I reside personally upon my Cure, and in my Parsonage-house; as now I have done, for near forty years.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know of no person who comes to my Church, being unbaptized: and of few, (except, it may be, Some of ye eldest Sort, or Some Servants) who being baptized, & of competent age, are not Confirmed.
- VIII. On ye 5th of November, ye 30th. of January, Ashwednesday, Good-Friday, the King's Accession-day, and all ye other days of Humiliation and Thanksgiving, appointed by Authority. Publick Service is duly perform'd twice every



Lord's day. We are, all, about a mile off ye Church: else, I wd. be glad to have Prayers daily.

- IX. I catechise in my Church every Sunday, from ye first Sunday in Lent to ye first Sunday in November, & always (to ye best of my power) expound upon ye Catechism: this is done, after ye 2d. Lesson at Evening-prayer. And (Permit me to adde) from ye 1st. Sund-in Novbr. to ye 1st. S-in Lent, I take occasion frm (*sic*) Some part of ye 1st. or 2d. Lesson, to exhort our people for a quarter of an hour; to keep keep (*sic*) 'em together. The children & servants attend pretty well: but there is room enough for amendment.
- X. It is administer'd, twice at Easter, twice at Whitsuntide, twice at Christmass, and once at Michaelmass. I have about an hundred Communicants: fifty, or fifty five of which usually receive: and about ye said number did communicate at Easter last.
- XI. I do give such warning, and also read one of ye Exhortations, as I see expedient. My Parishioners do not use to send in thr. names: wch., perhaps, may be more excusable in a small parish, in which ye people are well known to thr. minister. But I acquiesce in ye general expedience of ye Rubrick. I have not yet refused ye Srmt to any one: nor had any occasion so to do.

As to what remains above, I have little to observe; as being humbly of opinion, That it wd. be enough to obey our good old laws. I only heartily pray, That Discipline may be prudently & impartially kept up, according to our best observation & information: and humbly waiting for ye honour of your Grace's further commands, I remain, My Lord, Yr. Grace's most obliged, dutifull and humble Servant

the Minister of Remston

Should I not be able sometime within a  
month humbly to beg yr Grace's blessing at  
Bp̄thorp, it would be an affliction to me. }

R. ROBERT MARSDEN. Inst., 28th Aug., 1702. D. Lincoln, 22nd Dec., 1689; P. Norwich, 29th Aug., 1692. Jesus Coll. Camb., Scho., 1686; B.A., 1687; M.A., 1691; Fellow, 1693-1703; B.D., 1700. Preb. of Norwell Pallishall, Southwell, 2nd June, 1720; Archdeacon of Nottingham, 18th Feb., 1715; Died 1748 aged 90. Formerly a Domestic Chaplain to Archbishop Sharp.

C.W. : William Bowley.

Thomas Craft.

## 127. Ratcliffe upon Soar, Bingham.

- I. Seventeen  
2 Two Families Dissenters  
3 The one Quaker, & ye other Anabaptist
- II. None
- III. We have no School

- IV. No Lands or Almshouse
- V. There is no Parsonage house, being only a small Donation.
- VI. He resides not for want of Conveniency.
  - 2 He is.
  - 3 Answer'd above.
  - 4 Twenty Eight Pounds for serving ye Cures of Bunney & Ratcliff.
- VII. I don't know of any such.
  - 2 There are none that I know of.
- VIII. Service is perform'd once every Lord's Day.
- IX. Every Month.
  - 2 Not so forward as I cou'd wish.
- X. Four times in ye Year.
  - 2 About Fifty.
  - 3 About Ten.
  - 4 Fourteen.
- XI. I do give notice.
  - 2 But they have not usually sent their names.
  - 3 To no one.

I have met with no Difficulties, Defects, or Abuses worth communicating, by, My Lord, Your Grace's most obedient Son & Servt.  
 EDWARD MOISES Junr. Cur:

C. THOMAS POYNTON. (See *Bunney*).

A.C. EDWARD MOISES Junior. (See *Bunney*).

C.W. : John Butler  
 Thomas Stone.

**128. [Ratcliffe upon Trent,  
 Bingham].**

(Not written on the printed Form).

Ratcliffe upon Trent  
 Sept. 3. 1743.

- My Lord
- 1. In the Parish of Ratcliffe upon Trent there are seventy five Families not one Dissenter.
- 2. There is no meeting House.
- 3. There is only a private School about 40 Children are commonly taught who come to Church with their Parents.
- 4. There is no Alms-House in my Parish, nor Lands for ye Repairs of ye Church.
- 5. I do not reside upon my Cure, I reside at Shelford. Your Lordships Predecessor was pleas'd to grant me a Dispensation for non-Residence which I hope your Grace will likewise be pleas'd to allow of there being more Duty in my other Parish and a very bad House in this which I let only at eight shillings p Year.
- 6. I have not a Curate.
- 7. I do not know of any that are not baptized, I believe all of a competent Age are confirmed.



8. I performe Service in my Church once every Lords Day except I be hindred upon any extraordinary Occasion. ye other part of Day I do Service in my other Parish.
9. I have only Catechised at Spring.
10. The Sacrament of ye Lords Supper is administer'd four times in ye Year about an Hundred People communicate at Easter.
11. I give timely warning before ye Sacrament my Parishioners don't sent (*sic*) in their Names. I have not refus'd ye Sacrament to any.

I am Yr. Grace's Dutiful Servt.

G. WAYNE Vicr. of Ratcliffe.

V. GABRIEL WAYNE. Inst. and lic. to pr., and disp for Non-Res. 20th May, 1740. D. Lich. and Cov., 23rd Sept., 1722; P. York, 25th Sept., 1726. New Inn Hall, Oxon., B.A., 1724. (See *Shelford*).

C.W. : John Butler  
Thomas Stone

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## 129. Ruddington. Bingham.

- I. 100 families or thereabouts 3 families are Dissenters 2 families are Quakers 1 family are Presbyterians
- II. There is one Quakers meeting House. They Assemble once in 6 Weeks. 6 in Number. Walter Newman is yre Teacher\*
- III. There is a Charity School endowed. about 50 Children are taught.
- IV. There is no Alms House &c There is no Land left to repair ye Church Charity Land is returned in ye Terrier
- V. No, there is no House. I live att Tollerton two Miles distant upon my Rectory.
- VI. There is no residing Curate ye clear Income being about fiveteen (*sic*) Pounds p ann:
- VII. There is none comes to Church unbaptized that we know off. or not confirmed
- VIII. Divine Service is perform'd but once every Lords Day ye Income being but 15£ clear Value p Ann:
- IX. We generally Catechise all Lent & great Part of ye Summer The Children by ye Schoolmasters Assistance attend very well.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lds. Supper is administred four Times a Year There are generally about 30 Communicants, last Easter about 35.
- XI. We do give open Warning about ye Sacrament before it is administred.

V. JOB FALKNER. Adm., 8th Nov., 1738. (See *Tollerton*).  
Petit School-master. WILLIAM FALKNER. Lic. by Archdn. of Nottingham, 13th Oct., 1740.

C.W. : Richard Barker  
William Hart.

\* See Appendix C.

**130. Rolleston,  
Newark.**

The humble Answer of the Vicr. of Rolleston to his Graces questions. Sept. 17. 1743.

- I. We have in this parish Seventy familys, of wch. two are Presbyterians or Independants.
- II. We have no Meeting house in our pish.
- III. We have no Charity School.
- IV. We have no Alms-house, Hospital or Lands left for ye Repairs of the Church.
- V. I do not constantly reside in my Vicarial House here. My Chief Residence is at Nottingham, where the much greatest part of my Duty Lyes. I am as much here as health & oportunity permit.
- VI. I Have a residing Curate here, who is licensed by ye Late ArchBp. He boards in the parish, but not in the Vic: House. I Allow him 30l. p añ & Surplice Dues & Mortuaries.
- VII. I know of none who come to Church yt are not baptizd nor of any who are at age yt are not confirmd.
- VIII. Publick Service is constantly performd twice Every Lords-day; vizt. Morning & Evening. And also on Wednesdays and frydays thro' out the Year.
- IX. The Children and Servants are Catechizd twice Every week, during ye time of Lent; The pishners are not grossly negligent in Sending their familys to be instructed in ye Catechism.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lords Supper is administerd on ye first Sunday of every month: And also on ye greater festivals. ffrom 15 to 20 receive Monthly, & at Easter last thirty comūicated. We have about one hundred & thirty Comūnicants.
- XI. Timely warning is always given ye Sunday before ye Sacrament. They do not send in their names. I Have not refus'd the Sacrament to any one.

I Have not any difficultys or defects to complain of; Nor know I of any abuses in Eccliaçal Officers.

Yr. Graces most obedient Son & Servant

JOHN ABSON.

V. JOHN ABSON. Inst. and lic. to pr., 7th Dec., 1727. Disp. for Non-Res., 7th Dec., 1727. (See *Nottingham, S. Nicholas.*)

A.C. MATTHEW MARKLAND. Adm., 16th March, 1730. D. London, 14th March, 1730; P. York, 4th July, 1732. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1729. Exhibit Book records, 'approved by Abp. to officiate at Priest (? as Priest), 5th June, 1743.'

C.W. : Nicholas Kirkby  
John Godfrey.

**131. Radford,  
Nottingham.**

- I. About Seventy Families; of wch. two only are Dissenters, the



One A Family of Papists & the Other of Presbyterians, besides which there is on (*sic*) Single man a Presbyterian, one Woman a Papist & one Woman a Quaker

- II. There is no Licensed or other Meeting House
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital or Other charitable Endowment; Nor any Lands or Tenements left for the Repair of the Church or to any other Pious Use
- V. I do not reside upon My Cure, & have no Parsonage House. But I reside at Nottingham a Small Mile from Radford; I have a Dispensation for Non Residence, because I am Under Master of the Free School in Nottingham
- VI. I have no residing Curate
- VII. I Know of none who come to Church that are not Baptized & only some few who being of a Competent age are not Confirmed
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once every Lords Day, & the Reason of its not being performed twice is, because the other Part of the Day I always read the Publick Service in the Church of Lenton an Adjacent Parish.
- IX. I usually Catechise every other Sunday from the beginning of Lent to Michaelmas & most of the Parishioners send their Children to be Instructed
- X. The Sacrament is Administred four times Yearly: There are about one Hundred & Sixty Communicants of wch. Usually about twenty Receive, & there were much about that Number at Easter Last
- XI. Open & Timely Warning is given of the Sacrament & it has not been refused to any one

GEO: WAYTE Vicar of Radford

V. GEORGE WAYTE. Inst., 7th March, 1731. D. Linc., 21st Sept., 1729; P. Chester, 5th March, 1731. Merton Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1728; M.A., 1734. (See *Lenton and Nottingham, S. Mary's*).

C.W. : Thomas Bingham  
Henry Bradshaw.

## 132. East Retford, Retford.

- I. The Number of Families are Two hundred & fifteen. Of which Two are Papists, and One a Quaker.
- II. We have no licens'd Meeting house in our Parish.
- III. We have a Charity School well endow'd. The Number of Children taught in it, is oftens fifty or sixty. They are once a Week instructed in ye Principles of ye Christian Religion, according to ye Church Catechism, & have Prayers daily in ye School, ye head Master being a Clergyman.
- IV. We have Several Alms houses & an Hospital in our Town. We have no Lands &c: left for ye Repair of ye Church. I know not of any Abuses in ye Management of 'em.

- V. This Cure is held by Sequestration. The Clerk who reaps ye Profits resides at York.
- VI. Here is a residing Curate, qualify'd according to ye Canons. The Vicarage house is intirely in Ruins. The Curate's Allowance is Thirty five Pounds with some other Perquisites about forty shillings more; part of which are deny'd him by ye Vicar.
- VII. I know of none Such.
- VIII. The publick Service is read once every day. It is duly perform'd twice every Lord's day.
- IX. We Catechise on Wednesdays & Fridays all ye Lent Season. The Parishioners send their Children & Servants to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administred in our Church twice at Easter, on Whitsunday, on ye Sunday next after St. Michael, twice at Christmas & ye first Sunday in every Month. We have above 640 Communicants in our Parish. From forty to sixty usually receive; We had about Sixty ye last Easter.
- Six hundred &  
Forty Six Commu-  
nicants. }
- XI. Timely Warning is given of ye Sacrament before it is administred. The Custom of Parishioners sending in their Names is laid aside. I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any.
- To these last Articles I have nothing to say at present. I humbly beg Leave to Subscribe myself, My Lord, Your Grace's most dutiful Son & most Obedient Humble Servt.

JOSH. SAMPSON  
Curate of E. Retford }

C. THOMAS GYLBY. Adm. 3rd Sept., 1701. Disp. to hold Rectory of West Retford with East Markham, by Abp. of Canterbury, 7th Dec., 1709. (See *Retford, West; Markham, East; and Drayton, West*).

A.C. JOSHUA SAMPSON. Approved 22nd July, 1741. D. Lincoln, 22nd Sept., 1734; P. Chester, 9th Dec., 1736. St. John's Coll. Camb., No degree. (See *Retford, West*).

Master of the Free School. HENRY STEVENSON. Lic., 28th Oct., 1708. (See *Elkesley*).

C.W. : Mr Symon Woolby  
Mr John Parker.

*Vicarage House out of Repair.*—Thos. Gylby, Curate, presented. Abp. notes, 'Vicarage in ruins.'

### 133. West Retford, Retford.

- I. We have Sixty Eight Families. Three of 'em are Dissenters. Viz: One Papist, & two Quakers.
- II. We have one Presbyterian Meeting house in our Parish.\* They assemble once a fortnight but in small Numbers

\* See Appendix B.



- III. We have a Charity School. The Number of Children taught is not certain or fixt. Due Care is taken to instruct 'em in ye Principles of ye Christian Religion &c: twice a Week, & to bring 'em duly to Church according to Canon.
- IV. We have a well endow'd Hospital. There is some Land of ye yearly Value of ten pounds left, ye one half to ye Poor ye other to ye Church, nor do I hear of any Abuses committed in ye Management of these Charities.
- V. The Rector is at York, but keeps a Curate who resides at East Retford, as Curate of both Retfords, the Rector having thro' ye Infirmities of old Age been for some time incapable of going thro' ye large Duties of ye two Parishes.
- VI. The Curate is duly qualify'd according to ye Canons. His Residence is as mention'd under ye 5th Article of Enquiries. The Curate's Allowance for both Churches are thirty five pounds with ye Surplice fees of West Retford & ye Marriage-fees of East Retford. These last the Rector now withholds.
- VII. I know of None who come to Church that are not baptiz'd; or being baptiz'd & of a competent Age, that are not Confirm'd.
- VIII. The publick Service is perform'd in our Church once every Lord's day, on Wednesday's & Fridays in ye afternoon's during ye Lent Season, every Afternoon in ye Passion-week, & every Saturday preceding ye Administration of ye Sacrament. The Service is not read twice on ye Lord's Day by Reason of Serving the Cure of East Retford.
- IX. We catechise in our Church on Wednesdays & Fridays in ye Lent Season. The Parishioners duly send their Children & Servants to be instructed
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd in our Church four times a Year. The Number of Communicants are One hundred & Eighty; of which from forty to sixty usually communicate. I believe there might be more than fifty at Easter last.
- XI. We give timely Warning of ye Sacrament before it is administred. The Custom of the Parishioners Sending in their Names is laid aside, as far as I know, in all this Countrey. I have refus'd ye Sacrament to no Person.

To these last Articles I have nothing at present to reply.  
 From Your Grace's most dutiful Son & most Obedient Humble  
 Servt.

JOSH. SAMPSON  
 Curate of West Retford }

R. THOMAS GYLBY. Inst., 10th July, 1701. D. York, 22nd May, 1692;  
 P. York, 11th June, 1693. St. John's Coll. Camb. migr. to Trin. Hall, B.A.,  
 1691; M.A., 1708.

A.C. JOSHUA SAMPSON. Approv., 22nd July, 1741. (See *Retford East*).  
 C.W. : George Timm  
 William Shercliff.

**134. Rossington,  
Retford.**

- I. I have in my Parish thirty four Families, who are all of the Communion of the Church of England.
- II. There is no meeting House of any Sort in my Parish.
- III. There is in my Parish a public School endow'd with an annual Salary of 6l : 13s : 4d. In wch the Farmers Children and others (who are sometimes more sometimes less in Number, seldom less than ten or so many as twenty) are taught the English Language and to write and cast up Accounts: and they are there instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion, according to the Doctrine of the Church of England, and come, I believe, duly to Church.
- IV. There is not in my Parish any Alms-House, or Hospital; nor any Lands or Tenements left for ye Repair of my Church, or to any other pious Use.
- V. I do not reside personally upon my Cure, having been forc'd to remove from it on Account of the dangerous and very Melancholy state of my Wife's Health attested under the Hand of a physician who attended her during a long Illness and sign'd a Certificate (wch I sent as I remember to the Archdeacon) that it was not consistent with her Health to live in this parish. My wife is stil living and enjoys better Health at Leicester where for ye most part I live with her and my Family; but I come and reside once a year for some weeks at my Parsonage House, and perform ye Duties of my Parish: and heartily wish I cou'd always reside in it.
- VI. I have a licens'd Curate, who is a single man, and not having an Opportunity of boarding in this Parish, he had the late Arch-Bishop's Leave to reside at Doncaster wch is three Miles from Rossington. He duly performs all the Parish Duties to ye entire Satisfaction both of me and ye Parish. He serves no other Cure, and I allow him twenty eight pounds a year, wch is about a third part of the clear Value of the Rectory.
- VII. I know of none who are not baptiz'd in my Parish; nor of any of a competent Age who are not confirm'd. I believe there are none such.
- VIII. public divine Service is duely perform'd twice every Lord's Day in my Parish, as my Curate and others assure me, only excepting two or three Lord's Days in the year, when ye public Service is perform'd but once a Day, either on Account of my Curate's Absence, or his serving a Neighbouring (*sic*) Incumbent, who serves this Cure in such his Absence.
- IX. Catechising is duly perform'd by myself every year in Some Part of the summer Time when I reside; and this Season is most convenient for the Children of my Parish, who are by my Order duly sent to be Catechis'd, and have ye whole



Catechism once a year explain'd to them in the plainest and most familiar Manner: and this I esteem the most useful part of parochial Duty and most necessary to be duly perform'd. I have not omitted it (I think) more than two or three Times in ye Space of 35 years and my Curate (as I advis'd him) tells me that he catechis'd in those years when I happen'd to omit it. Servants are not sent to be catechis'd, but they attend the Exposition of the Catechism when the Children are catechis'd.

- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church five Times a year, of wch two are at Easter-Tide when there are the greatest Number of Communicants; and at other Times a competent Number communicate: but my Curate does not remember how many communicated at Easter last.
- XI. open and timely warning is always given of the Sacrament before it is administer'd: but the parishioners do not send in their Names, nor are requir'd so to do, because they are few and all well known to me and my Curate. The Sacrament has not been refus'd to any one.

JOHN JACKSON

[On a separate sheet].

May it please your Grace Rossington. Jul. 16. 1743.  
I have return'd Answers to the several Questions propos'd by your Grace to your Clergy: and observing that you farther desire your Clergy freely to communicate their Thoughts to you on several important points, I here freely send your Grace my serious Thoughts on two Things.

1. The 62d Canon requires that no Minister—under any pretense whatsoever shall joyn any persons in Marriage—but either in the Churches or Chapels where one of them dwelleth. But it is, I believe, a common practise for Licenses to be granted to marry Persons where neither of them dwells; and where they are mere Strangers to the Minister who marries them. This practise is and will be attended with very bad Consequences both to Church and State. If this is the practise anywhere in your Grace's Diocese, it is fit your Grace shou'd be acquainted with it.
2. The Advice wch I give and proposal wch I humbly make to your Grace, by wch the Glory of God and the Honour and Interest of our establish'd Church may be greatly promoted, is, that your Grace shou'd use your utmost Endeavours as a Christian Bishop to enlarge Xstian Liberty by the propagation and Encouragement of Xstian Truth, and removing from our Establishment all those Difficulties in several Articles of the Church, wch seem inconsistent with the Church's own Declaration in the sixth Article and also in the 20th and 21st, of the Scriptures being a sufficient Rule of Faith; and that nothing is to be requir'd of any man, that is not read therein—or may

be declar'd to be taken out of them, as an Article of Faith or Term of Worship and Christian Communion.

As by the Grace and Providence of God alone you are rais'd to the high Station you now fill in the Church; and are, I verily believe, most worthy of it; so there is no one, I trust, better dispos'd than your Grace to promote the Interest of the Christian Religion, wch most of all promotes the Glory of God. May it then be your Grace's Study, and the great as it is the most worthy Subject of your Zeal for the Glory of God and of your Love for Jesus Christ the only perfect Teacher of Truth, that the everlasting Gospel, wch is the only Rule of Xstian Truth may be not only professed but receiv'd as such; and that nothing may be requir'd but what Christ himself or his Apostles in his Name have plainly and expresly taught and deliver'd as Matter of Faith and Worship and as necessary to Salvation. It must be an unspeakeable Grief to every sincere and good Christian to see that humane Doctrines and Traditions altogether ungrounded in Scripture and in several Instances directly contrary to it, are impos'd as Articles of the Xstian Faith and Worship and as Terms of Xstian Communion, to the high Dishonour of God and of the Church of Christ, who by these Means are blasphem'd, and the Revelation of their Word malign'd and ridicul'd by Unbelievers; and the establish'd Church despis'd and revil'd, tho' it renounces every Doctrine that is not agreeable to ye Holy Scriptures, or is not contain'd in them. And I am most sure that the Glory of God and the Interest of the Church of Christ cannot be promoted till this TO KATEXON be remov'd, and primitive Xstianity be reviv'd and Apostolic Faith and Worship alone be taught practis'd and establish'd in the Church.

I can safely appeal to God that I have hitherto made the Scriptures and the Xstian Truths contain'd in them the cheif (*sic*) Study of my Life, and by God's Grace will continue to do so: and I have found more Comfort and Satisfaction in the Blessing wch God hath bestow'd on this my Study, than it is possible for any Thing in the World to give me.

I heartily pray that God who hath committed so great a Trust to your Grace may make you an eminent Instrument of promoting his Glory and the Honour Interest and Truth of the Gospel of Christ his Son.

I cou'd with pleasure enlarge on this noble and divine Subject, but I know it is unnecessary to do it to your Grace: nor shou'd I have taken upon me thus freely to communicate my Thoughts to your Grace, but that you have been pleas'd to desire, wch to me is the same as to have commanded, it. I doubt not but your Grace will, as you assure me, make a proper Use of them; and I hope by God's Blessing on your Xstian Endeavours they may attain the End propos'd by them. I beg your Grace will



esteem me to be Your most dutiful and obedient son and  
Servant

JOHN JACKSON

I purpose to return to Leicester in about a Fortnight's Time.

R. JOHN JACKSON. Inst., 4th June, 1710. D. York, 19th Sept., 1708; P. York, 4th June, 1710. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho., 1705; B.A., 1706. He did not proceed to M.A. from opposition caused by his Arian opinions. Master of Wigston Hospital, Leicester, 1729-1763. Prebendary of Wherwell, Hants. (apparently a donative) 1722-1763. A close friend of Bishop Hoadly and of Dr. Samuel Clarke and author of, at least, 36 printed works. See *D.N.B.* x. 530. There is also a full account of him in Dr. Charles Zouch's *Works*, ii. 371-375.

A.C. ROBERT BUTTERWOOD. Lic., 25th Feb., 1724. D. London, 21st Feb., 1724; P. York, 25th Sept., 1726. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1722. 'R. Claxby with Normanby (Lincs.) 1734; V. Claxby, 1740.' *Venn*.

C.W. : Richard Butterill  
William Gibson.

Abp. notes, 'Mem. To consider Mr Jackson's Letter.'

**135. Rampton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. Sixty five Families & no Dissenter in any of them.
- II. No licens'd or Meeting-House of any denomination whatever.
- III. A School-House was built nine Years ago by subscription without any fix'd Endowment or Salary, & all the Children of poor Parents are almost wholly educated in it out of a Subscription for that Purpose & the Communion-Money, & it is requir'd of the Parents (if they wou'd have their Children continu'd gratis at School) to bring them duly to Church, & the School-master takes care to hear them the Church-Catechism once at least every Week.
- IV. There are three different Benefactions of Land to the Poor. The first is an Acre of Marsh-land, it has been given so long ago, that there is no memory left of the Donor's name, ye Rent of it is fifteen Shillings pr An:, which is distributed by the two Church-Wardens at Easter to the poorest Inhabitants—the Second is two Closes of the yearly rent of two Pounds & twelve Shillings, wch is all laid out according to the Direction of the Benefactor (Gervas Cole) in white Loaves, to wit, twelve Loaves to be distributed every Lds.-Day to twelve of the poorest Inhabitants at Church immediately after ye Service—the third is a Close purchas'd eight years ago by three different Legacys left by the Family of the Eyre's, & the Application of the Rent issuing from it of four Pounds & ten shillings per An: is invested in Anthony Eyre Esqr: it is dispos'd of every Christmas by his sole direction in different Portions according to the different Circumstances of the Poor, & I believe has hitherto been very fairly distributed.—Two Years ago Mr Gervas Eyre (a younger Brother of the above-nam'd Ant: Eyre Esqr his Executor)

dy'd, & left by Will twenty Pounds, the Interest of which to be given to the Poor annually on the day of his Death: the Poor have not as yet rec'd the benefit of this Benefaction, which is delayed (I imagine) on account of the Donor's Effects being not settled—

- V. I reside personally, & in my Vicarage House.
- VI. [Blank].
- VII. I don't know of any One who comes to Church that is not baptiz'd, nor do I know of any of competent Age that is not confirm'd.
- VIII. The publick Service is read only once every Lord's-day, because I read the publick Service every Lord's-day at Laneham.
- IX. I catechise at two different Seasons every Year, on Wednesdays & Fridays in Lent & on Sundays in July, August & September, & the Parishioners duly send their Children & younger Servants to be catechis'd.
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd the first Sunday in every Month: there are in the Parish two hundred Persons above sixteen Years of Age, one hundred & twenty of these receive three times a Year, about twenty five receive Monthly & I believe upon recollection more than forty receiv'd the last Easter.
- XI. I give publick Notice of the Sacrament the Sunday before it is administer'd; the Parishioners never send in their Names. I have never refus'd the Sacrament to any One.—

NICHOLAS HOWLET Vicar of Rampton.

V. NICHOLAS HOWLET. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 22nd July, 1731. Lic. C. to Normanton or any other Church in Diocese, and to pr., 24th Feb., 1729. D. Norwich, 22nd Feb., 1729; P. York, 18th July, 1731. Trin. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1733.

C.W. : Gervas Yelland  
William Shaw.

### 136. **Ragnell, Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. We have Thirty Two Families without Dissenters.—
- II. We have no meeting House.—
- III. We have no School but what is taught by a poor Woman.
- IV. We have no Alms-House, &c. We have no Lands Left for the Repair of the Chappel or to any other pious use.—
- V. I reside in my Vicarage House at Dunham. I have no House Here.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. All under my Care are Baptized; and All of a competent age are Confirmed.
- VIII. The publick Service is read every Other Lords Day.—
- IX. I Catechise in Lent, After Easter & Harvest. All the Children and Servants in this Small parish have Learned their Catechism.



- X. The Sacramt. of the Ld's Supper is administer'd ffour Times every year. We have about Ninety Coñunicants, fforty or thereabout usually receive. Fifty One received at Easter.—
- XI. I give open & timely Warning before every Sacrament. The parishoners have not as yet sent in their names. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.— —
- To these I have nothing to say at present

ANDW CAVE.

V. ANDREW CAVE. (See *Dunham* and *Darlton*).

C.W. : William Norrish  
Gervas Nicholson.

137. **Stanford, [Stanford-on-Soar].**  
**Bingham.**

- I. In this Parish of Stanford Eleven Families & not one Dissentr. of any denomination wtsoever.
- II. None.
- III. None
- IV. None
- V. It is not in my power to keep A Canonical Residence as usual. The Curate constantly Resides in ye Parsonage House & being A marreid (*sic*) Man having A child Every year & now Six Living there is not convenience for me to make use of A Room & Furniture wch I reservd. for yt purpose, but twice in ye Year at two of ye Greatr Festivals I administr. ye Sacrament & often lie in ye parsonage House. And once Every year I togethr wth my Wife & part of Family go (for three weeks or a Month) to A chief Farmers House & I officiate & discharge all ye duties of ye Parish whilst I stay & preah (*sic*) occasionally several Sundays in ye year.
- VI. I have A Curate duly qualified who constantly Resides in ye Parsonage House & is allowd thirty Pds: A Year & all Surplice dues.
- VII. None yt I know off.
- VIII. Prayrs. are duly & constantly Read twice Every Sunday & on all Holydays Fast days Wednesdays & Fridays throughout ye year & Prayrs begin at A Canonical hour.
- IX. The Curate does constantly Catechize thrô ye whole Season of Lent & on Every Sunday in Advent, all Parents duly & regularly send yir Children to be instructed.
- X. Four times in ye Year, about three or four & thirty Coñunicants. usually about twenty six receive ye Curate do (*sic*) n't remembr. how many at East. Last
- XI. due & proper warning is constantly given ye Sunday before by reading one or ye other of ye exhortations as ye Rubrick directs. it has never been customary for ye parishionrs. to send in yir names. I have not had occasion to refuse ye Sacramnt: to any one

HENRY: WOODS Rectr. of Stanford

R. HENRY WOODS. Inst., 8th Aug., 1722. D. Lond., 21st Sept., 1711; P. York, 20th Sept., 1713. Disp. to hold Stanford, with R. of Lambley by Abp. of Canterbury, 21st July, 1722. Ch. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1710; B.A., 1712; M.A., 1722. (See *Lambley*.)

A.C. RICH. ALLEYNE. Lic., 11th Nov., 1740. D. Linc., 22nd Dec., 1728; P. Linc., 22nd Dec., 1734. Emm. Coll. Camb. B.A., 1726; Fellow, 1729; M.A., 1730.

C.W. : Joseph Boley.

Abp. notes, 'Minister can't reside because his Curate who lives in the Vicarage has filled it with children.'

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**138. Sutton Bonnington St. Michael.  
Bingham.**

May it Please Your Grace

- I. We have seventy two Familys, no one Dissenter of any Sort whatever
  - II. Not any one.
  - III. one Publick School, Land that it is endowed withall lies in Barrow Field in ye County of Leicester. the Children Brought Duly to Church
  - IV. Four Pound ten shilling a year for ye Use of ye Poor, the Land being in Hose in ye County of Leicester
  - V. I reside constantly & have done so ever since my Induction
  - VI. I Have no Curate
  - VII. We have none except some Servants who go att Michaelmas
  - VIII. The Publick Service is performed twice every Lord's Day.
  - IX. All ye Solemn Season of Lent
  - X. On Christmas Day, ye Sunday following, Good Friday, Easter Day, Whitsunday, ye Sunday before Michaelmas
  - XI. Always Give timely Warning of ye Sacrament. Never refused ye Sacrament to any one.
- None att all.  
None  
None  
None

H. HASCARD, Rector

R. HENRY HASCARD. Inst., 16th July, 1739. D. Linc., 22nd Dec., 1728; P. Linc., 3rd March, 1728. Emm. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1724; M.A., 1728.

C.W. : Robert Bramley  
Henry Clarke

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**139. Sutton Bonnington St. Ann,  
Bingham.**

- I. About Twenty Families: (my Lord) & no Dissenters
- II. No Meeting House
- III. None
- IV. No
- V. No; upon my Vicarage in Frisby Su: Reak. Com: Leices: Very populous.



- VI. No
- VII. No
- VIII. Once a day
- IX. I have done it seldom, but will for ye future do it Oftner.
- X. Thrice p annum.  
Communicants Ten
- XI. Yes. Refus'd it to None  
None (my Lord)

Thanks to yr. Lordship for yr. late generous Entertainment at Nottingham.

June 26th, 1743.

RICD. WENMAN.

R. RICHARD WENMAN. Inst., 19th Ap., 1721. D. Ely, 23rd Sept., 1711; P. Norwich, 23rd March, 1711. Also V. of Frisby-super-Wreake, Leics. Emm. Coll. Camb. migr. to Caius, 1706; Scho., 1707-10; B.A., 1709; M.A., 1721.  
C.W. : John Searson.

#### 140. Stanton upon the Wolds, Bingham.

- I. The whole number of ye Families within the Parish of Staunton are thirteen, containing in them fifty nine Souls, of whom forty four are Communicants, not one Catecumen & fifteen Infants under eight Years old; & amongst these there is one Man a Presbyterian Dissenter, But his Children baptized & confirmed in ye Church of England.
- II. There is no Meeting House in the Parish.
- III. There is no School in the Parish of any sort whatever.
- IV. There is no Alms-House or Hospital or other Endowment, that I ever heard of.
- V. My Residence is at Chester as a Minor Canon of the Cathedral Church in that place.
- VI. The Curate does not Reside in ye Parish; neither has there ever been in ye memory of man a Minister residing in the Parish; The Church is now supplied by the Revd: Mr Henson, first Master of ye Free School in Nottingham; & I allow him fifteen pounds p Year.
- VII. Upon the strictest enquiry I cannot discover any that are not Baptized, or any of competent age Unconfirmed except the Dissenter aforesaid.
- VIII. The iñmemorial usage of this Place has been to have Publick Service read but once every Lords day, & that in ye afternoon (the clear Annual profits of ye whole being but thirty three pounds p An:) But since my Residence at Chester I have provided, yt ye Publick Service of ye Church shall be in ye morning of every other Lord's Day.
- IX. There are at Present no Catecumens [see Art 1st]
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lords Supper is Administer'd in ye Church four times in ye Year, viz: upon ye Sunday after Xtmas-Day, ye first Sunday after Easter, upon Trinity

Sunday, & upon the Sunday after ye Feast of St Michael: The Number of Communicants is forty four, of whom about twelve usually receive; Fifteen Communicated last Easter.

- XI. Open & timely warning of ye Sacrament is always given before ye Administration of it; But the Parishoners do not send in their names, neither do I know of any place where that Rubrick is observed; & I have not hitherto found reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any who have offered themselves.

I had in ye Year 1738 formed a design of Augmenting the Living of Staunton; But being informed yt ye Governours of that Corporation had made an Order not to augment any Living already given in at above thirty five pounds p Year; & ye Living of Staunton being given in more (tho' in reallity (*sic*) it does not make so much) I was oblided to drop the Project This, to the best of my knowledge, is a True State of the Parish of Staunton upon ye Wolds in ye County of Nottingham in the Year one thousand seven hundred and forty three, witness my hand— —

CHARLES HENCHMAN Minr:

R. CHARLES HENCHMAN. Inst. and lic. to pr., 29th Sept., 1733. D. Chester, 20th Sept., 1730; P. Chester, 31st Oct., 1731. Also Minor Canon of Chester Cathedral. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1729; M.A., 1744. Incorp. at Oxon., 1744. (See *Bole*).

A.C. (so, the Call Book, 1743). EDWARD MOISES, Senr., whom Mr. Henchman appears to have succeeded as Vicar. (See *Keyworth, Kingston-upon-Soar*, and *Wysall*). But according to this Return, JOHN HENSON. (See *Edwalton* and *Nottingham, S. Mary's*).

C.W. : Henry Shaw.

#### 141. Screveton, Bingham.

- I. There are twenty eight Families in ye Parish besides ye poor houses, & no Dissenters of any Sort.
- II. [Answer]d above.
- III. There is no School of any Sort.
- IV. There is no charitable Endowment of any kind yt I ever heard of.
- V. I don't reside upon my Cure, & ye Reason is, I was dispensd wth by ye late Arch-Bishop, & none, yt I have heard of ever did. I live wthin three little Miles of it in a Family at Thurgarton in nature of a Chaplain, where I reside upon my Cure, but supply it myself mostly once a fortnight, & go over frequently in ye week days. It has as good care taken of it as most Ch̄s in ye Neighbr.hood.
- VI. The Curate, who was licensed by ye late Arch:Bishop resides upon his Living at Lowdham. He is duly qualified & constantly attends his Cure. I allow him 18li a year for half Service. The value of ye Liv.g is but 48li a year, & highly taxed.
- VII. I don't know of any, who come to Church, yt are not bap-



tized, & all yt are of a competent age are confirmed, yt I know of.

VIII. There is Service only once every Lord's day, And ye Reason is, it is but about a Quarter of a mile from Carcolston Ch., & ye Custom is to have Service at one Ch. in the Morning, & at ye other in ye afternoon, & ye Parishioners duly frequent both.

IX. I catechise in Lent, & ye Parishioners duly send yr Children &c.

X. The Sacrament is administred three times a Year, & there may be abt. forty Communicants, & perhaps betwixt twenty & thirty might communicate at Easter last.

XI. I give proper Notice of ye Sacramt. & have not refused it to any one.

I have met wth none

I have observed none

I have discovered none.

I have none.

JOHN ROSE Rector.

R. JOHN ROSE. Inst. and lic. to pr., 25th Mar., 1735. D. York, 22nd Sept., 1717; P. York, 2nd Nov., 1718. Univ. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1716. (See *Hoveringham* and *Thurgarton*).

A.C. JOSEPH BRUEN. Approved, 2nd Oct., 1736. (See *Lowdham*).

C.W. : William Elston  
John Thornton.

**142. Shelford,  
Bingham.**

I. I have fifty seven Families in my Parish. only one man is a Dissenter, an Anabaptist.—

II. I have no Meeting House in my Parish—

III. There is no School in my Parish at present my Parishioners frequently hire a Master to teach their Children in the Winter Season

IV. There is an Alms-House for Six poor Men—We have no Lands or Tenements for ye Repair of our Church—

V. I do reside personally upon my Cure and in my Parsonage House.

VI. I have no Curate

VII. I do not know of any.

VIII. I read ye Publick Service in my Church once every Lord's Day on Wednesdays Fridays and Holy Days the other part of ye Day I do Service at my other Church

IX. I have only Catechised this Year in ye Spring did intend to have done it every Lds. Day during ye Summer Season which I propose as a Rule for ye Future but having lately buried three Children of my own ye Duty put me too much in mind of my loss therefore desire the Omission at present may be excusable—

- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church seven times in ye Year about eighty Persons commonly communicate at Easter
- XI. I give open and timely Warning of ye Sacrament. My Parishioners do not send in their Names to me as required. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one for some Years past—

My Lord I am Your Grace's Dutiful Obedient Humble Servant  
Shelford Sept. 3d. 1743

GABRIEL WAYNE  
Minister of Shelford

C. GABRIEL WAYNE. (See *Ratcliffe-on-Trent*).  
C.W. : Edward Ashwell  
Edward Gray.

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**143. Staunton Church,  
Newark.**

- I. We are in the parish of Staunton Church. 26: Familys, wherein, Not one Dissenter or Roman Catholick. we live in 3 villages half a Mile asunder. vizt:  
In Staunton. 16. Familys: including ye Hall, Parsonage, and five small Cottts for Poor.  
In Alverton. 3. Familys, including one small Cottt:  
In Flawburrow. 7. Familys. including 2 small Cottts.  
in all 26. Familys.
- II. We have no Meeting of any Sort.
- III. We have a Sober Schoolmaster, who in the Parish Church, Daily teaches 20, or 25 children to write and read: but at their Friends expence: he also does teach them their Catechisme duly, and they come regularly to Divine Service
- IV. I find only One Small fund for any Charitable or Pious Use. vizt. The Principal Sum of Twenty five pounds, left us by ye Last Will of Mrs Elizabeth Sherwin; about 15: years ago. The Interest of which money is laid out in Bread for the Poor of Staunton at certain times, as Mr Charlton Ld of ye Mannour, & ye Rector, shall direct & Distribute: and I do not apprehend there is now, or has yet been, any mismanagement, or misapplication hereof.
- V. I Do Reside personally in my Parsonage House. and my Annual Expences Therein only, exceed by much my income as Rector. Which particular I humbly mention, because through the unhappy circumstance of an Elder Brother being declared a Lunatick by ye Court of Chancery, and other Difficultys in my Affairs; I am at present, & have been for some time passt, obliged to take many tedious and expensive journeys; that occasion my much more frequent absence from my Parish, than is consistant with what can be called strict & constant Residence. The which my Late Lord Archbishop, was so good to excuse me from by his leave of absence in



Form: but I have not given Your Grace any trouble by application for the same indulgence, because I do every day expect, these causes for my frequent absence, will be Removed.

- VI. I have a Residing Curate. He is Master of Arts. and Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge. I allow him Thirty five pounds a Year. He was Examined and Licensed by my Late Ld Archbishop.
- VII. I Believe all my Parishioners are Baptized. and at this Your Grace's Primary Visitation & Confirmation, I had 36 confirmed. and I think none now remain of Competent age & knowledge that are not confirmed; Excepting only 2, who could not break through the press,\* but will again offer themselves, the first Oportunity.
- VIII. Divine Service is performed in my Parish Church every Lords Day, and other Principal Holy Days in the morning. and at Flawborough Chappel, in ye Afternoon. And there being a Chappel at Staunton, which belongs to a Different Parish in a Different Hundred and Deanry of Bingham. with its own Different Minister, who Dwells not half a Mile off; and who usually officiates every other Lords Day in my Church, because it conveniently admits the congregations of both Parishes, from this occasion it happens, that every other Lords day there is in my said Parish Church Divine Service both forenoon and afternoon.
- IX. The Younger Sort of children & Servants come to Me during Lent only, As is the custom time out of mind to be publickly instructed in their Catechisme in the Parish Church. But before they offer themselves to be confirmed, I do also, in Private, at my own house, examine them Separately; and advise them and instruct them as well as I can.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administred by Me, 4 times a Year in my Parish Church, & 4 times a Year in Flawborow Chapel. We are in the Parish 75. Communicants. whereof communicated last Easter, 48 In the Parish Church. and 12 in Flawborow Chapel, the Times are, the Three Great Festivals, and the first Sunday after Harvest. The Minister of Staunton Chapel does also administer the Sacrament to his Parishioners in my Church 4 times a Year. viz: the 4 days that I administer at Flawborough.
- XI. I Do give open and Timely Warning, as in the Rubrick before the Communion. It is not usual with our Parishioners who propose to communicate, to send in their names beforehand. And indeed we are happy enough to have a very Sober and

\* This illustrates, quite artlessly, the scandalous conditions under which Confirmation was sometimes given, when it was administered only at the Episcopal Visitations, which were, nominally, triennial. Shocking scenes are described by an Evangelical, William Cecil, (1792-1882) in a monograph, published in 1833. See *Confirmation* (S.P.C.K. 1926) i. 213-216.

Regular and Peaceable Parish: and none have offered themselves in my time, that could with any reason be refused.

May it please Your Grace

Having truly answered your Questions, I am now in obedience to Your desire to declare my opinion as to these last Articles, which I do with the Fidelity I owe Your Grace; and Protest I have not met with any particular difficultys in the discharge of my Duty; neither observed any defects in ye present Canons or Discipline of the Church; nor discovered any abuse of Power in the Ecclesiastical officers.

And I think the Glory of God will be best promoted, & the Honour & Interest of our Establisht Church best secured, and the Government of This Diocese best ordered; by a Continuance of the same Comprehensive, Gentle, & Desirable Temper in the Execution of our Laws, as there is in the Spirit of them, as they are now Framed under our present Happy Constitution.

I am My Lord, with Due Respect, Your Grace's most Dutiful and most Humble Servant

ST. DEGGE. Rector of Staunton

Staunton, Sept: 23. 1743.

R. STAUNTON DEGGE. Inst. and lic. to pr., 21st Aug., 1739. D. Lincoln, 20th Sept., 1730; P. London, 24th Sept., 1738. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1724; B.A., 1725. (See *Flawborough*, and *Staunton Chapel*).

A.C. JOHN MERRYETT. Lic. 4th Octr., 1740. D. Lincoln, 2nd March, 1739. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1737; B.A., 1739; M.A., 1743; Fellow 1742.

C.W. : John Hickman  
Henry Taylor.

144. fflawbrow, [Flawborough.]

Newark.

May it Please Your Grace

Flawborough being only Part of my Parish of Staunton Church, I humbly beg leave to answer your questions about it, together with the Rest of my said Parish.

I am with Due Respect My Lord Your Graces most Dutiful and most Humble Servant

ST. DEGGE. Rector of Staunton.

Staunton Sept: 23 : 1743.

R. of Staunton Church. STAUNTON DEGGE. (See *Staunton Church* and *Staunton Chapel*).

C.W. : John Mitchell  
Richard Jackson.

145. [Shelton,  
Newark.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

My Lord—

Shelton Sept. 2. 1743.

According to your Graces desire I here send you an Account of my little Town of Shelton in the Deanry of Newark in Nottinghamshire. We have but five Families in our whole Town, of which none are



Dissenters but come to Church constantly.  
 We have no Meeting house in our Town.  
 We have no publick Charity School. Or Almshouse.  
 I reside constantly on my cure, and in the Parsonage house.  
 I know none yt come to Church who are not Baptiz'd.  
 I read the common prayer, and Preach every Sunday.  
 I administer the Sacrament constantly every Christmas, Easter,  
 & WhitSuntide, and have commonly about Ten or Twelve Com-  
 municants, and give timely notice before hand of it. I have refus'd  
 none who offer themselves, because I know no reason to do it.  
 This is all I can inform Your Grace of at present. I am my Lord  
 your Graces most dutiful Son, and Obedient Servant.

GEORGE BURGHOPPE, Rector of Shelton  
 in Nottinghamshire

R. GEORGE BURGHOPPE. Inst., 28th Oct., 1711. D. Lincoln, 22nd Sept.,  
 1700; P. London, 21st Dec., 1701. Emm. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1699.  
 C.W. : Joseph Hindson.

#### 146. East Stoke, Newark.

- I. There are Sixty ffamilies in ye Town of East Stoake—of wch.  
 none are Dissenters of any Sort
- II. We have no Licens'd or other Meeting-hous (*sic*) in ye sd  
 Town
- III. We have a School Endowed wth. 4 Guineas a Year: but  
 precariously, for ye Salary has been employed for ye last  
 four Years towards ye rebuilding of our Church, but is this  
 Year reverted to ye School. I wish proper Measures were  
 taken to secure It unalterable. There are Ten poor Children  
 taught for ye sd Salary; and I assist & advise ye School-  
 Master (who is well inclined of himself) to Instruct ye  
 Children in ye Principles of ye Christian Religion according  
 to ye Doctrine of ye Church of England, & to bring them  
 duly to Church as ye Canon requires
- IV. There is no Alms-house Hospital or other Charitable Endow-  
 ment in ye Town of E: Stoake, & no Land or Tenemts. have  
 been left for ye repair of ye Church.
- V. I always Reside in my Vicarage house at Stoake aforesd.
- VI. I have No Curate
- VII. I believe we have none who come to Church but who are  
 Baptiz'd, and yt all of a Competent Age were present at  
 Your Graces Confirmation.
- VIII. I read Prayers & Preach twice every Sunday in my Different  
 Churches in ye Parish according to ye old usage.
- IX. I Catechise 'on Sundays sometimes & especially all ye  
 Season of Lent Wednsdays (*sic*) & ffridays. I wish ye  
 Parishioners would as I desire them, send their Children  
 & Servants more duly than they do.

- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administred three times a Year, vizt at ye three great ffestivals. I believe we have somewhat above 100 Coñunicants in ye Town of Stoake—too few of them Usually receive Particularly but about 30 ye Easter Last.
- XI. I give open & timely warning of ye Sacramt. I have not refused ye Sacrament to any One  
I am My Lord Your Grace's most Dutyfull Son & most Obedient Servant  
F. BAINBRIDGE

V. FRANCIS BAINBRIDGE. Inst., 19th Aug., 1718. D. York, 2nd June, 1706; P. York, 20th May, 1708. St. Cath. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1702; M.A., 1705. (See *Coddington, Elston Chapel, and Syerston*).

C.W. (East Stoke) : John Rippon  
John Cooper.

C.W. (Syerston Chapel) : Joseph Bestall.\*

(At Syerston). Francis Bainbrigg is presented for neglect of his duty in burying the dead, Churching of Women, Baptising of Infants, Reading of Prayers, and in instructing the Youth in the Church Catechism. The case is continued till 3rd Feb.

147. **South Scarle cum Girton,  
Newark.**

- I. there are in ye Parish of South Scarle & Girton about Seventy three Families, & no Dissenters.
- II. One Quaker Meeting House, but as there is no Quaker in ye Parish Now, there are no Regular Meetings, not even once a Month.
- III. there is only one Charity School Endow'd wth five pounds yearly, & about 8 or 10 poor Children taught, ye rest are not Free.—
- IV. there is none—
- V. I doe reside upon ye Cure but there is no Vicarage House, nor hath been any in ye Memory of any Man Living.—
- VI. —I reside—
- VII. No—
- VIII. The Church of Girton being a Member of South Scarle, Service is perform'd alternately & by reason of ye smallness of ye Living.
- IX. I Catechise once in ye Year, during the season of Lent—
- X. three times, & about 30 Coñunicants last Easter at South Scarle, & 15 at Girton
- XI. Yes. I always give a Weeks Notice  
No—

This is a true Account of ye Parish of South Scarle & Girton as witness my Hand—

JNO DALTON Vicr. of S. Scarle

\* See *Syerston*, below. Answer I.



V. JOHN DALTON. Inst. and lic. to pr., 10th March, 1729. D. Lincoln, 17th March, 1727; P. London, 21st Sept., 1729. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1727.

C.W. (South Scarle) : William Ward  
John Johnson.

C.W. (Girton) : Richard Tongue  
William Spalton.

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148. [Sutton on Trent,  
Newark.]

(Not written on the printed Form.)

Sutton Vicarage upon Trent  
in the Deanry of Newark.

- Tit. 1. We have near One Hundred and twenty Families out of wch We have two Dissenters called Quakers
- Tit. 2. We have no Meeting House of any Sort in the Parish.
- Tit. 3. We have no Publick or Charity School.
- Tit. 4. We have no Alms House, or any Charitable Endowment, Neither have any Lands or Tenements been left for the Repair of the Church
- Tit. 5. I do not reside Personally upon my Cure, haveing a Dispensation fm the late Arch-Bishop to reside upon my Living at Kilvington
- Tit. 6. I have a Curate licens'd by the late Arch Bishop who dispensed with his Non Residence at Sutton upon Trent, because he resides at Cromwell a Mile distant, I allow him fifteen Pounds a year the Living being but Thirty.
- Tit. 7. I know of None that come to Church in the Parish that are not baptiz'd or of any, but what being of a competent Age are confirm'd.
- Tit. 8. The Publick Service of the Church is performed once every Lords Day, The Curate officiating at his Church of Cromwell the other Part of the Day.
- Tit. 9. The Curate Catechises during the Season of Lent.
- Tit. 10. The Curate administers the Lords Supper Four times a year fourteen usually recieve, Particularly twenty last Easter.
- Tit. 11. The Curate gives open Notice of the Sacrament. They do not send in their Names as required The Sacrament has never been refused to any  
We have met with no Difficulties in the Discharge of our Duties.

SAM LEEKE Vicar of Sutton upon Trent.

V. SAMUEL LEEKE. Inst. and lic. to pr., 19th July, 1731. (See *Kilvington, Staunton Chapel*, and *North Collingham*).

A.C. ROBERT GUNTHORPE. Approved, 28th June, 1734. (See *Cromwell*).

C.W. : George Brett  
Thomas Hardwick.

149. **Sierston, [Syerston.]**  
**Newark.**

- I. There are 15 families in ye Town of Syreston of wch. yre is but one Dissenter named Joseph Bestall they say an Independant, he never received the Sacrament wth Us, of three Years yt he hath lived in ye Town till ye last Whitsuntide, since he was made Ch:Warden & we know not that he has gone to any Meeting for Religious Worsp. in all ye time aforesd.
- II. We have no Licens'd or other Meeting house in ye sd Town—
- III. There is no publick or Charity School there
- IV. There is not in ye sd Town any Almshouse or Charitable Endowmt, Nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for ye repair of ye Church.
- V. There is no Vicarage-house in ye sd Town it being only an Appendage of East Stoake.
- VI. I have no residing Curate there
- VII. I believe yt all who come to Church are Baptized, & yt all who are of a Competent Age are Confirmed by Your Grace
- VIII. Sierstone has Service in ye Church every fortnight Sunday Afternoon according to ye old Usage.
- IX. I do not so often Catechise there as at Stoake by reason of going there, & having ye fatigue of preaching in ye Afternoon, when I have preach'd at Stoake in ye morning.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is Administer'd thrice in ye Year namely at Easter Whitsuntide & Christmas. there are upwards of 20 Communicants. about 8 Communicated at Easter
- XI. I give timely & open Warning of the Sacrament & have not refus'd it to any One.

I am My Lord Your Grace's most Dutyfull Son & most Obedient Servant

F. BAINBRIDGE

V. (of East Stoke). FRANCIS BAINBRIDGE. (See *East Stoke, Codrington, and Elston Chapel*).

*Presentation.*—Francis Bainbrigge, Curate there; 'for neglecting his duty in burying the dead, in Churching of women, in Baptising of infants, in reading of Prayers, and in instructing youth in the Church Catechism.' The Case was unfinished.

150. **Strelley,**  
**Nottingham.**

- I. I have Forty Three Families in my Parish; There is One Family of Presbyterian Dissenters.
- II. I have no Meeting-house of any Denomination.
- III. There is no Publick or Charity School, other than what has been this Year erected by the present Subscription of Two private persons for the Immediate Support of a poor Widow;



who teaches Twelve Children to read, & is obliged to Catechise 'em twice in the Week.

- IV. There is no Alms-house, Hospital, or any other Charitable Endowment; No Benefactions to Church or Poor.
- V. I do constantly & personally reside in my Parsonage-house.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I believe there are none in my Parish above a Month old that are Unbaptized: Tho' I apprehend there may be two o (*sic*) three of Competent age that are Unconfirmed. who not having opportunity for that purpose, have yet received ye Sacramt.
- VIII. The Publick Service is performed on Some particular Holy-days, & should on all if I could procure any to attend; It is duly read once every Sunday in my Church at Strelley, & once Every Sunday at my Church at Bilborow & so alternately. If either had been a Sufficient Maintenance, I wd not have accepted Both; Tho they have been immemorially Served in this manner, & been under the Same Patronage.
- IX. I Catechize from Easter to Michaelmas, ye Children generally following from Church to Church. The Parishioners are too remiss, but wth Constant Importunity I mostly prevail to have have (*sic*) yir Children sent to be Catechized.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administered in my Church of Strelley four times in the Year; The Number of Communicants is about Fifty, Thirty Usually receive, Tho' but Twenty at Easter last.
- XI. I always give a Weeks notice at least of the Sacrament; The Parishioners do not Send in their names as required; I never as I remember refus'd the Sacrament to any; tho a Presbyterian Dissenter once came into Church to observe the method of Administration; I sent the Clerk to desire her to Communicate or depart; She departed for yt time; but communicated afterwards for the most part as long as she Lived; & Commonly attended ye Service of ye Church.

R. WILLIAM GOODDAY. Inst. and lic. to pr., 1st June, 1728. D. Linc., 5th June, 1726; P. Linc., 17th March, 1727. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1723; B.A., 1724; M.A., 1728. (See *Bilborough, Notts.*).

C.W. : William Calverley  
Samuel Saunders

### 151. Stapleford, Nottingham.

- I. There is about fifty Families in my Parish and not one Dissenter of any Sort wt.ever.
- II. There is no Licens'd or other Meeting House in the Parish.
- III. No Publick or Charity School endow'd or otherwise maintain'd.
- IV. No Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment; no Lands or Tenemts left for the Repair of the Church; or to any other pious Use.

- V. I do not reside Personally upon my Cure My Residence is at Risley in ye County of Derby wch is but one Mile distant from it and where I am obliged to Residence.
- VI. I have no Residing Curate.
- VII. I know of None.
- VIII. Publick Service is duely performed Once upon the Lords Day, morning and Afternoon alternately every third Sunday exceptd and the same at Risley where I reside and the Reason why it cannot be oftner is because the Benefice is so small not exceeding twelve Pounds p Aññ, Surplice Fees included
- IX. I Catechise in Lent nor are the Children or Servts negligent in coming.
- X. I administer the Sacramt of ye Lords Supper four Times in the Year. there is about an Hundred Communicants in the Parish and about fourty usually receive each Time, there was about yt Number last Easter.
- XI. I always give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administred. But the Parishioners have not been accostomed (*sic*) to send in yr Names. I have had no Reason to refuse the Sacramt to any One

I am Your Graces Most obedient Son & humble Servt.

GEO. BETTINSON Ministr of Stableford (*sic*).

C. GEORGE BETTINSON. Adm., 4th Sept., 1728. D. York, 21st Sept., 1718; P. York, 18th Dec., 1720. St. John's Coll. Camb. No degree. 'School-master at Risley, and R. of Swarkstone (Derbyshire).' *Venn*.

## 152. Sutton in Ashfield, Nottingham.

Sutton in Ashfield

- I. There are Families in this Parish 248.  
Of wch are Dissenters 57.  
Part Dissenters 9.  
Sort. A mixture of Independents & Presbyterians.  
One poor Woman, a Quaker.
- II. There is one Meeting-House, wch I am told is licens'd\*. Both Denominations content themselves wth one House & one Teacher. They usually assemble twice three Sundays in the Month (but for this Year or more, wch their Teacher has spent mostly in collecting Money for a new Meeting-House now erecting) Most of 'em usually come to Church; And sometimes their Teacher. In what Numbers they assemble, I cannot tel, several come from neighboring Towns, One Samuel Wilson is their Teacher.
- III. There is no public Building for a Schole, but Several teach to read & write in yr own Houses, along with other Employs. There are two Closes left, now let for fifty Shillings a Year,

\* See Appendix B.



to put poor Children to Schole. They are now under ye Direction of three Men, two of w<sup>m</sup>. are Dissenters, the other an half-one, & ye Master of ye Children an half one. I believe That upon a Vacancy, Preference is given to Children of dissenting Parents, that little Care is taken to principle ye rest in ye Xn Rel: according to ye Doctrine of our established Church, or to bring 'em to Church as ye Canon requires

- IV. All that falls under this Article, is, the Yearly Interest of 24li to the Poor, & two Coats: The Church-Wardens & Overseers for ye Poor are appointed by the several Donors to distribute. I have heard of no Frauds or Abuses.
- V. I do not reside. Parsonage-House there is None. I reside at Pleasley in the County of Derby, Curate there. The Reason of Non-Residence is the Smalnes of the Salary; the certain Value is no more than 13li: 6s: 8d, wch with four pounds, the Lay Rector, the Duke of Devonshire, gives during Pleasure, is the whole.
- VI. [Blank].
- VII. Of the first Sort, None. Of the Second, great Numbers. Of this I am satisfied, There are none confirmed, but who are now above 20 Years old.
- VIII. Public Service is performed once every Lord's Day in the Afternoon. On Sacrament Days in the Morning. The Reason why not twice, is want of Maintenance.
- IX. I catechize on seven or eight Lord's Days, when the Days are long; My Parishoners send none but very smal Children, such as can be just taught to repeat the Catechism.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd once at each of ye three following Festivals, Christmas, Easter, & Whitsuntide. The Number of Persons above sixteen 706, whence deduct 197 Dissenters, & there rest 509. Scarce ever above forty receive at one time, sometimes not twenty; At Easter last not full thirty.
- XI. I alway read one of Exhortations the preceding Sunday. My Parishoners do not send in their Names. I have never refused any one.

Among the Defects of Church Discipline, I note, The admitting Dissenting Church Wardens, One of our present Church Wardens is a Dissenter, the other an half one; Hence it frequently happens, that we have not a Church-Warden at Church; Our Church Steeple is in a bad Condition for Want of pointing, I have been told ye Sun shines thro' in several places between ye Stones. My Dissenting Church Warden tels Me, he has had the Undertaker of their new Meeting-House to view it, who says 'twil be better to defer it 'til ye rest of the Lime falls out, that ye New may enter better ! We have commonly a Dissenter thrust into yt Office here, for himself, or somebody else.

JOHN GREEN Curate

C. JOHN GREEN. D. St. David's, 22nd Dec., 1734; P. Lichfield, 21st Sept., 1735. St. John's Coll. Camb., LL.B., 1735. Also C. of Pleasley, Derbyshire.

C.W. : John Brandrith  
John Butterworth.

*Presentation.*—Churchwardens failed to exhibit Terrier. They exhibited one, Sept. 1.

**153. Skegby,  
Nottingham.**

- I. 64 Families. 2 of which are Presbiterians, & one a Quaker who is a Single Man.
- II. there is not any sort of Meeting House in the Parish.
- III. there is no Charity School, either endow'd, or maintain'd by any Person or Persons.
- IV. there is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment; no Lands or Tenements left for the Repair of the Church. there is Ten-Shillings pr Añ payable from certain Lands for ye use of ye Poor, to be distributed by ye Overseers, 5s of which have been withholden for about 4 or 5 Years last past, by one Person, but the Parish have now receiv'd full satisfaction for ye same, & we hope there will be no more abuse of that kind for ye future.
- V. I serve the Cures of Mansfield Woodhouse & Skegby & reside at the former
- VI. there is no Parsonage House in either Parish, the Living is call'd, I believe, a Perpetual Curacy, Mr Clerk ye Curate, I am his Licens'd Curate & officiate for £30 pr añ
- VII. I don't know of any unbaptized Person that comes to Church. As to Persons not confirm'd I believe there are Several, because I receiv'd Notice of Your Grace's Visitation but ye Night before, & as I said before I don't live in the Parish, & therefore I had not time to prepare the Children; besides Skegby is 13 or 14 Miles from Nottingham.
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd once a Fortnight in the Afternoon, according to ye usual Custom time immemorial; three times in ye Year it is perform'd in the Morning, & ye Sacrament administred.
- IX. I Catechize on the Lent Sundays only. about Six Years agoe at my first entrance upon ye Curacy, I gave notice that I wou'd Catechise & instruct ye Children at ye Church 3 days every Week during Lent, & ye same for a Month or Six Weeks at ye latter end of ye Year; this I attempted ye 2 first Years. but Parents did not send their Children, & I was forced to desist.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred 3 times in ye Year. The Number of Communicants may be about 200; 30 of which usually receive, there was about that Number at Easter.



XI. I always give open, & timely Warning a fortnight before. The Parishioners never send in their Names, it has not been Customary; & shou'd ye Minister require it, I apprehend it wou'd give disgust & prevent divers of ye Parish coming to the Sacrament unless he was expressly enjoyn'd it anew by ye Bishop or Arch Bishop of ye Diocese. I have not refused the Sacrament to any.

No

No

No

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May it please Your Grace

I have given Your Grace a faithful answer to the above Queries, to the best of my knowledge, & after the strictest enquiries

And am (May it please Your Grace) Your Grace's most faithful and most obedient Servant

JAMES LYNAM Curate of Skegby.

C. WILLIAM CLARKE. (See *Mansfield Woodhouse* and *Hallam, West*).

A.C. JAMES LYNAM. (See *Mansfield Woodhouse*).

C.W. : Senior Ordidge

Henry Askew.

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**154. Sutton upon Lown, [Sutton-on-Lound].  
Retford.**

- I. About an Hundred Families No Dissenters in ye Parish
- II. We have no meeting House
- III. The Interest of Seventy Pounds for teaching thirteen Children wo are taught by a Poor Woman of Lound
- IV. The Interest of £30 to ye Poor.
- V. I reside at Cuckney, the Living being small, ye late Arch-Bishop was pleas'd to dispense wth my Non-Residence.
- VI. The late Arch-Bishop was pleas'd to give Leave for it to be sev'd by a Neighbouring Clergy-Man, ye total Value of ye Living being too little for any Residing Curate
- VII. No.
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd every Lord's Day once, according to ye Custom of ye Place
- IX. Good Care has been taken in ys Particular
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd in our Church three times a Year. We had about fifty Communicants last Easter
- XI. Timely Warning is given.

V. JOHN RICHARDSON. Inst., 23rd Oct., 1742. D. Llandaff, 22nd Feb., 1729; P. York, 16th Aug., 1730. Balliol Coll. Oxon. B.A. (See *Norton Cuckney*).

A.C. MATTHEW TOMLINSON. (See *Blyth, Austerfield, Bawtry, and Harworth*).

C.W. : Cordal Stores

Robert Cromwell.

**155. [Scrooby,  
Retford.]**

(Not written on the printed Form.)

Scrooby in the County of Nottingham & Deanry of Retford  
Answer to Quest. 1st. There are abt Forty Families, two of which  
are Dissenters; both of ye people calld Quakers.

2d There is a Quaker speaker, who holds a meeting once or  
twice a Year in her own house.

3d There is none.

4th There is no Alms houses, nor Hospitals, nor any Lands left  
for ye repair of ye Church: There is fifty pounds left towards  
Augmenting ye Living by Arch-Bishop Sharp.

5th. I do not reside, it being a Chapel of ease to Sutton\*, &  
poorly endowd but care is taken to have it Supplid by  
a Curate who is duly qualified who has all ye profits arising  
from ye sd Cure, which is abt. Eight pounds a Year for wch.  
Service is performd Every other Sunday in ye Afternoon

6th: See Article above.

7th I know of None.

8th See Article ye Fifth.

9th I Catechise every Lent, when Service is performed, and ye  
Children & Servants attend.

10th The Sacrament is administred three times a Year, There  
are abt Sixty Communicants, Thirty of wch. Communicated  
Last Easter.

11th. I give open & timely Warning, ye Parishoners neither do,  
nor ever usd to give in their Names. I have not refusd ye  
Sacrament to any

As to ye following particulars I have nothing to offer.

Sepr: 15th 1743

THOMAS FELL Curate.

C. THOMAS FELL. (See *Harworth* and *Austerfield*).

C.W. : Richard Cowley  
Richard Hewitt.

Abp. notes—'Poorly endowed. £50 left by Abp. Sharp towards the  
augmentation. The Cure £8 p.a.'

\* Sutton-on-Lound.

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**156. Stoakam, [Stokeham].  
Retford.**

I. There are eight Families & no Dissenters.

II. We have no Meeting House.—

III. There is no School—

IV. There are no Alm's Houses or Hospitals—

V. Yes.—

VI. ———

VII. No.—

VIII. Two Sundays in Three. One in the Morning and the Second  
in afternoon.—

IX. Once a Year.—



- X. 1 Three or Four times a Year—  
 2 There are about 18 or 20. Communicants out of which eight or ten usually receive—  
 3 About seven or eight—
- XI. 1. Yes—  
 2. The Parishioners do not send in their Names, I have refused None.—

W. PALLISSER Curate.

C. WALTER PALLISSER. (See *Drayton, East and Askham, Notts.*)

C.W. Old : Thomas Knight.

New : George White.

157. **West Stockwith Chappel,  
 Retford.**

- I. To the Chappell. at Stockwith there belongeth no Cure of Souls it being chiefly intended by the Donor for the Benefit of the Hospital thereto adjoyning
- II. There is no Meeting House in Stockwith
- III. The Founder of the Chappell endowed a Charity School with Five Pounds a year for teaching Ten poor Children belonging to the Hospital (if so many) and they are duly instructed in the Church Chatechism (*sic*) both at School & Chappell
- IV. We have no Lands, nor any other Provision made for the Repairs of the Chappell. The Founder devised an Estate upwards of Thirty Pounds a Year for the Maintenance of such poor People as he directed shd. be placed in the Hospital The Management of which being in the Hands of Trustees, has been hitherto misapplied. Of which I beg Leave to give your Grace a ful[ler] Account hereunto annexed.
- V. I live in the House belonging to the Chappell
- VI. I have no Curate
- VII. I know of no such Persons
- VIII. I perform Divine Service Twice every Lord's Day, and read prayers on Wednesday, Friday, and all Holy-Days every Week, unless otherwise prevented by some extraordinary Business
- IX. I catechise the Poor Children the first Sunday in every Month, and Twice a Week all Lent
- X. The Sacrament is administer'd four Time (*sic*) every Year, and about Twenty, sometimes more, do communicate there
- XI. I give Warning for the Administration of the Sacrament the Sunday before. No Persons give in their Names to me, because no such Custom prevails with us, nor do any belong to me but the Inhabitants of the Hospital.

ROBT PINDAR Minister at West Stockwith.

May it please Your Grace

Your Grace having enjoyn'd me to give free and faithful

Answers to your Questions, I think myself in Duty bound to give you the utmost Satisfaction I am able. And therefore I beg Leave to inform your Grace That William Huntington late of West-Stockwith Shipwright by his last Will and Testament dated February 14 1714 devised £740 for the building a Chappell and Ten small Alms Houses in his Ship Yard and endowed the said Houses with upwards of Thirty Pounds a Year in Land for the Support of Ten poor Ship Carpenter's or Sailer's Widows That the said Chappell and Hospital were built and the Chappell consecrated in the Year 1722 and the Estates belonging to them invested in the Hands of Trustees appointed for that Purpose That a Minister being elected at that Time to officiate in the Chappell did enter immediately to the Salary appointed for him, but no Widows were then put into the Alms Houses nor have any received any Benefit from the Charity. After some Time indeed Two or Three Widows were placed in the Alms Houses and lived there several Years but they never received any Part of the Endowment And the Rents and Profits of the Poor's Estate have all along been received by the Trustees without Account That in the Year 1738 which was about Two Years after I was nominated Minister the Inhabitants agreed to file a Bill in Chancery against the Trustees and insisted that I shou'd joyn in the said Bill to bring the Trustees to Account which Bill being then filed is now depending before the Lord Chancellor and has cost us a great Sum of Money out of our own Pockets, but that the Trustees make Use of the Charity Money for their defraying their Charges thereby prolonging the Cause and hoping to tire out those who bear their Expences themselves. This, may it please your Grace, is the Truth of the Case, as near as I can state it, and it is great Pity the Benefaction shou'd be so much abused. And we humbly hope your Grace will take it into Consideration. Since the Chappell was consecrated the Inhabitants of West-Stockwith have, for the most Part, brought their Children to be baptised at the Chappell, the Mother Church being Two Miles distant, and in Winter the Roads almost impassable. And in my Predecessor's Time a Copy of his private Register of such Children as were baptised in the Chappell was entered in the Parish Register, the Vicar of the Parish receiving his usual Fees, but of late Years (thō I have a Licence from the Dean and Chapter to do that and all other Ecclesiastical Duty in the Chappell and thō the Vicar of the Parish has constantly been paid his Fees) yet he has refused to admit into the Parish Register a Copy of my private Register of such Children as have been baptised by me in the Chappell to the great Discontent of the Inhabitants who's Children must either want the Benefit of a Register or be carried in Winter Time Two Miles in Roads almost impassable to be baptised. For which Reason I have taken the Freedom to lay this Matter before your Grace, and for the sake of the Inhabitants of West Stockwith shou'd be very glad that either the Copy of my private Register shou'd be entered



in the Parish Register, or that your Grace's Officers wou'd accept it without Fees as we have no Fund—belonging to the Chappell for the defraying that or any other Charges.

I am with all due Regard Your Grace's most obedient Son and Servant

Stockwith Sept. 6: 1743

ROBT PINDAR.

C. ROBERT PINDAR. Adm. by D. and C. of York, 18th Dec., 1734. D. Lincoln, 4th June, 1732; P. Lincoln, 20th May, 1733. Lincoln Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1730; M.A., 1733.

C.W. Old : John Foster.

New : William Moody.

*For not exhibiting a Presentment; for not paying his Court fees, and for not exhibiting a Terrier.* JOHN FOSTER.

Abp. notes 'M. To consider Mr Pindar's Letter.'

**158. Thorp in the Glebes,\*  
Bingham.**

- I. Two Families in the Parish, no Dissenters in it—
- II. No Meeting House in the Parish
- III. There is not any School in the Parish—Parents send their Children to School in other Parishes—
- IV. There is not in the Parish any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment—
- V. There is no Parsonage House, nor has been any in the Memory of Man—
- VI. There is a Curate that lives very near to the Parish and is qualified according to the Canons—He has five shillings for every Sermon, which is as much as the Living will afford
- VII. All that come to the Church are baptized—All that are baptized are confirmed—
- VIII. Publick Service is perform'd in the Chappel of Thorpe four times in a Year, which is as often as it has been performed in the Memory of Man.
- IX. I catechise young People in Lent which is the Time when they are catechised and instructed
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administer'd thrice in the Year—The Number of Communicants five or six four receiv'd the last Easter—
- XI. Timely Warning of the Sacrament is always given before it is administred The Sacrament has not been refused to any one—

The Questions are truly and directly answer'd by me

JOHN COOPER Parson of Thorpe

Sept. 12. 1743—

R. JOHN COOPER. (See *Greasley and Eastwood*).

(No names of Curate or C.W. given in Call Book).

\* A later name for Thorpe Buzzard (or Bozard) *al.* Thorpe in the Clotts (Clods). The site of the Church is marked, in the Ordnance Map of 1836, between Rempstone, Wysall and Willoughby, on the borders of Leicestershire. (From information kindly given by the Rev. C. B. Collinson).

**159. Tollerton,  
Bingham.**

- I. There are thirty families There are no Dissenters.
- II. There is no Meeting House
- III. There is no Charity School
- IV. There is no Alms House &c There is a Cottage & Land of ye Yearly Value of £2 . 8 . 4 for ye Repairs of ye Church To ye Poor by Revd. Mr. Lat: Cross. £2 . 10 . 0 p Ann:
- V. I live in ye Rectory House
- VI. No Curate
- VII. None that we know off.
- VIII. Twice ev'ry Lords Day.
- IX. We catechise in Lent & part of ye Summer
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lds. Supper is administred three times a Year. There are about twenty Communicants, particularly last Easter
- XI. Warning is given for ye Celebration of ye Sacrament ye Sunday before. No one hath been refused ye Sacrament The Names of ye Commts. are not usually sent in.

R. JOB FALKNER. Inst., 8th Nov., 1738. D. Oxon., 22nd Dec., 1728;  
P. York, 16th Aug., 1730. Univ. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1728. (See *Ruddington*).  
C.W. : Thomas Dodson.

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**160. Tythby with Cropwell,  
Bingham.**

- I. Eighty three Families. Of these, three Women are Dissenters. And they call themselves Presbyterians.— —
- II. No.
- III. No.
- IV. No Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowmt. No Lands or Tenements have been left for ye repair of this Church. But there's Thirty Pounds left by Bartholomew Fillingham, lodg'd in ye Bank at Nottingham ye interest of wch. is paid every Good-Friday to ye Poor of this Parish.
- V. I Don't reside personally upon my Cure, but about a mile from it, and the reason of my Non-Residence, is because 'tis a Small Donative, and no Clergyman (by what I understand) did ever reside upon it.— —
- VI. I am Curate here my self. And am Lycens'd by his Grace the late Arch-Bp. according to the Canons in that behalf.
- VII. No.— —
- VIII. It is perform'd once a Fortnight on the Lord's-Day. And the reason why it is not perform'd oftner, is because the Income of the Living is but little, not Exceeding Fifteen or Sixteen Pounds a Year.—
- IX. The first or second Sunday in every Month, and every other Sunday during the time of Lent. The Parishioners duly send their Children and Servants who have not learn'd their Catechism, to be instructed by me.— —



- X. Three times a Year. There's about two Hundred Communicants. I can't justly say how many of them usually receive. About Twenty seven did Communicate at Easter last.— —
- XI. Notice is always given of the Sacrament a Fortnight before it is administred. The Parishioners don't send in their names, but I will admonish them to do it for the future. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.— —

C. THOMAS HEBLETHWAITE. Adm., 31st Aug., 1726. (See *Treswell* and *Whatton*).

C.W. : James Wallis  
William Fillingham.

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**161. Thrumpton,  
Bingham.**

- I. My Lord, there are Eighteen Families, four of which are Dissenters, three Presbyterian, & one Anabaptist Family
- II. No My Lord.
- III. My Lord there is no School nor any Children instructed in the Church Catechism, excepting three or four who have lately come to inhabit here from a Parish where there is a Charity School; & these have been confirmed by yr. Lordship at Nottingham.
- IV. No My Lord
- V. No My Lord, there is no Parsonage House, nor even a fit House to Lodge, I reside within two Miles of my Parish.
- VI. No My Lord.
- VII. No My Lord
- VIII. Once My Lord every Lord's Day, as it has been for forty years in my Predecessors time which I believe has been Occasioned for want of a house or a room to come to.
- IX. There none (*sic*) My Lord but those who have been confirmed by your Lordship who can say their Catechism.
- X. Three times a Year, the Number of Communicants are generally about Seven or Eight, My Lord, at Easter last about Nine
- XI. Yes My Lord.

C. JOHN SAVAGE. Adm., 8th Aug., 1726. D. St. David's, 23rd Jan., 1714; P. Lich. and Cov., 21st Sept., 1718. T.C.D., B.A., 1714.

C.W. : German Brooks.

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**162. Thorp near Newark, [Thorpe-by-Newark].  
Newark.**

- I. Six Families. None of them Dissenters
- II. There is not any Meeting House in my Parish.
- III. There is no publick or Charity School in my Parish
- IV. There is not any Alms House, Hospital or other Charitable

Endowment in my Parish. Nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for the Repair of our Church or other pious use to my Knowledge

- V. I do not reside personally upon my Cure in this place, but upon my Rectory of Saint Peter's in Nottingham, and have a Dispensation for holding these Livings.
- VI. I have a Curate, who was appointed to serve this Cure in the time of my Predecessor by the late Archbishop and an allowance was fixed for him with the Approbation of his Grace of eighteen pounds a year. He resides at Elston a Mile from hence; and his Grace was pleased to order him to continue to serve the Cure for me upon the same terms as he did for my Predecessor.
- VII. I do not know of any.
- VIII. Publick Service is performed in my Church once every Lord's day sometimes in the Morning sometimes in the afternoon. Mr Chappell my Curate who is Rector of Elston performs Service at his own Church the other part of the day. My Living being Small & not Sufficient to maintain a resident Curate I hope your Grace will be so good as to indulge me in permitting Mr Chappell to continue to serve the Cure as he has hitherto done.
- IX. During the time of Lent.
- X. Three times. There are fifteen Communicants in my Parish. Ten usually receive. At Easter last there were fifteen.
- XI. Notice is always given of the Sacrament on the Sunday before it is Administred. It is not the Custom here for the Parishioners to send in their Names. No one has been refused the Sacrament.

EDW. CHAPPELL Rr of Thorp near Newark.

R. EDWARD CHAPPELL. Inst., 22nd April, 1741. (See *Nottingham, S. Peter's*).

A.C. GEORGE CHAPPELL. (See *Barmby (Notts.)* and *Elston Church*).  
C.W. : Robert Baker.

### 163. Thorney, Newark.

- I. Thirty Four, & no Dissenters.
- II. No meeting Houses in my parish.
- III. No publick nor Charity School &c.
- IV. No Alms Houses &c in my parish.
- V. I reside upon my Cure, but not in ye Vicarage House, by reason ye Living is extremely small & am unmarried.
- VI. No Curate.
- VII. No.
- VIII. Service is read once every Sunday & not oftner, by reason ye living is so small, and have another Cure in ye Neighbourhood, but Diocese of Lincoln.



IX. In ye time of Lent.

X. Four times in ye Year; & betwixt thirty & Forty Communicated last Easter.

XI. I always give notice ye Sunday before ye Administration, but my parishioners do not send in their Names. I never had reason (I thank Gd.) to refuse any one of my parishioners ye Sacramt:

this is an Authentick Acct. of ye State & Circumstances of my parish.

JOHN ROBINSON Minister.

C. JOHN ROBINSON. Adm., 2nd Nov., 1744. D. Lincoln, 2nd March, 1734; P. Lincoln, 22nd Feb., 1740. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1734. Sequestrator of Newton, Lincs. (Reg. Lincoln).

C.W. : John Simpson  
Thomas Harrison.

164. **Trowell,**  
**Nottingham.**

I. Families about fifty two Dissenters one old Woman Presbyterian one Family Quakers (*sic*)

II. We have none.

III. An Endowment of four pound a year by ye Ld. Middleton for a School enlarged by ye bounty of ye Parishoners they are regularly taught ye Catechism of ye Church of England and as regularly come to Church

IV. We have a Charity of twenty Shillings a Year distributed (*sic*) to ye poor at Whitsuntide and Christmass

V. I reside constantly in ye Parsonage House upon ye Cure.

VI. I am ye Curate and Supply both Medietys. am allowed fifteen pound a Year by ye other Rectr.

VII. One that was of ye Family of ye Quakers before mentioned Married to a man of ye Church of England. Confirmed as we have Opportunity.

VIII. Twice a day of a Sunday constantly

IX. Sometimes on Holy days allways in Lent Sometimes of a Sunday, as I find they appear. Servants are not so good as they should be.

X. About seven times in ye Year four of which are Easter Whitsuntied (*sic*) Michaelmass and Christmass. What Number of Communicants I cannot tell. about thirty last Easter Communicated.

XI. Constantly give due Notice. never received their Names as is required. never refused any.

No difficulties. ye Canons are good. Discipline we bemoan, and wish for on Ashwednesday (*sic*). No Corruption in Officers. Presumption (*sic*) high for me to Advice or Propose Since your Lordship is so entirely Enabled to promote ye Glory of God. and ye Honour and Interest of ye Established Church.

Your Graces most Obedient Son.

HENRY FRANCEYS

R. (1st Med.). GEORGE STAUNTON BROUGH. Inst. and lic. to pr., 18th Nov., 1742. D. Lincoln, 13th June, 1742; P. Lincoln, 19th Sept., 1742. Queens' Coll. Camb., B.A., 1739; M.A., 1743. (See *Wollaton*).

R. (2nd Med.). HENRY FRANCEYS (al. Francis). Inst., 4th Aug., 1719. P. Ely, 11th Jan., 1711. Emm. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1709; M.A., 1713.

C.W. : Joseph Meades  
Henry Johnson.

**165. Teversall,  
Nottingham.**

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- I. I have about 60 Families in my Parish, of which, one is Presbyterian, all the rest of the Church of England.
- II. There is no Meeting House in my Parish.
- III. There is no Publick, or Charity School within my Parish.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment in my Parish.
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure, and in the Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate here.
- VII. I know of none who come to church that have not been Baptiz'd: There are some of competent age, who have not been Confirm'd for want of convenient Opportunity.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read in this Church on the principal Fasts and Festivals, and is duly performed twice on every Lords-Day.
- IX. I Catechise in the Summer Season, for Six or Seven Sundays, immediately after Evening Service. when my Parishioners do duly send their Children and Servants to be Instructed.
- X. I Administer the Sacrament of the Lords Supper five times in the Year. have about 130 Communicants, usually between 30 & 40. receive at a Time. And at Easter last, and on the Sunday following, as I remember, there might be about 80 Communicants
- XI. I do give timely Notice of the Sacrament My Parishioners do not send in their Names, I have not refus'd the Sacrament to any; having never had (in my Judgment) Sufficient reason for so doing.

I having nothing to offer in respect to the things above mentiond

I am with the greatest Respect & Reverence Your Grace's Most dutifull Son & Most obedient humble Servt.

EDWD WILSON Rectr of Teversal.

R. EDWARD WILSON. Inst., 19th June, 1716. D. Oxon., 3rd Oct., 1714; P. Bristol, 25th Sept., 1715. Pemb. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1711; M.A., 1714. Preb. of Beckingham at Southwell, 28th Sept., 1727. (See *Crofton, Yorks*).

C.W. : John Hurt  
Samuel Foulds.

**166. Thurgarton,  
Nottingham.**

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- I. There are thirty six Families in ye Parish, & no Dissenters of any Sort.



- II. [Answer]'d above.
- III. We have a publick Charity School endowd wth ten pounds a Year. wherein ye Master is obliged to teach twenty poor Children. They are instructed in ye principles of ye Christian Religion according to ye doctrine of ye Ch. of England, & come duly to Church.
- IV. There is six pounds & seven Shillings left to ye Poor of ye Parish, & duly paid.
- V. I reside upon my Cure, & live in the Family there in nature of a Chaplain according to the Custom of ye Place, & was licensed by ye late Arch Bishop.
- VI. [Answer]'d above
- VII. I don't know of any, who come to Church, yt are not baptized, & all yt are of competent age are confirmed, yt I know of.
- VIII. There is Service only once every Lord's day, & ye Reason of it is, I am at Hoveringham ye other part of ye day according to custom.
- IX. I Catechise in Lent, & ye Parishioners duly send yr Children &c.
- X. The Sacramt. is administred three times a Year, & there may be betwixt forty & fifty Communicants, & perhaps abt. thirty or forty might communicate at Easter last.
- XI. I give proper Notice of ye Sacrament, & have not refused it to any one.  
 I have met wth none.  
 I have observed none.  
 I have discovered none.  
 I have none.

JOHN ROSE Curate.

C. JOHN ROSE. Adm., 7th Sept., 1726. (See *Screveton* and *Hoveringham*).  
 C.W. : Robert Richardson.  
 John Hall.

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**167. Treswell,  
Retford.**

- I. Twenty Families. Of these, no Dissenters.
- II. No.
- III. No.
- IV. No.
- V. I don't reside personally upon my Cure, but I reside Twenty Miles from it, where I have a Donative and a Curacy, wch are very near together, and this being a Mediety, and so Small, yt it is not a maintenance for a Family.— —
- VI. I have not a Resident Curate. But my Son who supplies for me lives there very much, He is not Licens'd, but as soon as he can joyn any thing wth. it, he then will not only be willing to take a Lychense, but likewise to reside Constantly

there. I allow him Fourteen Pounds a Year, and yt. is as much as ye Living will afford.

- VII. No.
- VIII. It is duly perform'd one part of ye day every other Sunday. The reason why it is not perform'd oftner, is mention'd above. I believe it is served for the most part in the Morning.
- IX. All the Sundays in Lent. The Parishioners I believe send their Children and Servants Who have not learn'd their Catechism, to be instructed.—
- X. Four times a Year. And there's about Forty five or Fifty Communicants. I can't say how many of them usually receive. I think about Thirteen did Communicate at Easter last.—
- XI. Timely Warning of the Sacramt. is always given before it is administred. The Parishioners do not send in their names as required. But they shall be admonish'd to do it for the future. I believe the Sacramt. has not been refused to any one.—

R. (1st or East Med.) ROBERT AYDE. Inst., 5th July, 1710. Disp. to hold it with R. of Barnbrough by Abp. of Cant., 17th July, 1733. Preb. of Woodborough at Southwell. Adm., 28th May, 1719. (See *Barnbrough, Yorks.* and *Burton West*).

R. (2nd or West Med.). THOMAS HEBBLETHWAITE. Inst. and Lic. to pr., 4th Apr., 1733. D. York, 21st Sept., 1718; P. York, 20th Sept., 1719; St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1716. (See *Whatton* and *Tythby with Cropwell*).

A.C. (East Med.) ABRAHAM SAMPSON. Lic. 26th Sept., 1743. (See *Burton, West* and *Sturton-in-the-Clay*.)

A.C. (West Med.) JOHN HEBBLETHWAITE. D. Lincoln, 20th Sept., 1741. Emm. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1740.

C.W. : Joseph Hilton  
Richard Hoggard.

# **168. Tuxford, Retford.**

- I. About one hundred Families—one Man a Dissenter but of what Denomination he hardly knows himself
- II. None
- III. two Schools, one for English, Writing & Accounts, the other for Latin & Accounts &c.—I believe they are frequently instructed in the Catechism; & are duly brought to Church
- IV. There have been several Legacies left to ye Poor, & what Sums of Money have been left are laid out in Land to prevent loss—NB: There has been lost some Money before I was Vicar—
- V. I am a Singleman, & therefore board (in an House nearer the Church than the Vicarage) I don't keep House, because Housekeeping is dear & my Preferment Small
- VI. none
- VII. none
- VIII. Prayers & a Sermon in ye forenoon & Prayers in the After-



noon (as done by my Predecessors) unless I assist any neighboring Clergyman

IX. I instruct the Young People in the Church Catechism publicly at least six Sundays in the Year

X. The Sacrament is administerd generally eight Times a Year—There may be more than two hundred Communicants—About forty communicated last Good Fryday, & about sixty last Easter Sunday—

XI. I give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is Administer'd—It has not been usual for the Parishioners to send in their Names—I have refused the Sacrament to none

Tuxford September 26 1743—BRIAN BERKS Vicar

V. BRIAN BERKS. Inst. and lic. to pr., 12th Apr., 1733. D. Lincoln, 29th June, 1729; P. Chester, 5th March, 1731. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1727; B.A., 1727; M.A., 1731.

Master of Free School. WILLIAM RICHARDSON. Lic., 13th Nov., 1739. (See *East Markham*).

C.W. : Thomas Hanna.  
Thomas Tompkin.

169. [Upton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it please Your Grace—

Upton

In obedience to your Request, I humbly beg Leave to return the Following Answers to those Questions annexed to your Lordship's very affectionate Letter directed to your Clergy.

1st—The Parish of Upton consists of forty three Families; and among them, there are no Dissenters of any Denomination.

2— We have nothing that relates to this Inquiry.

3— We have no endow'd School in the Parish. Some of the lesser Children are taught by a Woman; and the Rest go for their Instruction to some neighbouring School.

4— To this Inquiry I have exhibited a full and Satisfactory answer at your Grace's Visitation.

5— I do not reside upon my Cure; my Non-Residence being dispens'd with by the Chapter of Southwell on Account of my Attendance upon the Choral Service of that Church.

6— I perform all the Duties of my Cure my self.

7— We have no such Persons as are here inquired after.

8— The publick Service is perform'd once every Lord's-Day; I being the other Part of the Day, either upon Duty at the Church of Southwell, or an Assistant to some neighbouring Church.

9— I regularly Catechise in the Lent-Season; and my Parishioners are not remiss in sending their Children and Servants to be instructed.

- 10— The Sacrament is administer'd five Times Yearly—namely on Christmass-Day — Good-Friday — Easter-Day — Whitsunday—and on some Sunday after Harvest. On Easter-Day last, we had, as I remember, about forty Communicants.
- 11— I always give Warning of the Sacrament the Lord's Day before, as the Rubrick directs; and either preach upon the Subject, or read the Exhortation. I never had any Reason to refuse the Sacrament to any one.

I have not met with any particular Difficulties in the Discharge of my Duty; nor has any particular Defect in the Canons or Discipline of our Church fallen under my Observation. This I will heartily and sincerely promise your Grace—that I shall always endeavour, in my low Station of Life, to promote the Glory of God, and the Good of all Mankind—and be ready in every Instance of Duty to convince Your Grace, with how much Reverence and Regard I am your most dutifull and Obedient Son and Servant

Southwell Aug: 25th 1743

CHAPPELL FOWLER

Vicar of Upton.

V. CHAPPELL FOWLER. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 25th June, 1730. D. Lincoln, 28th May, 1727; P. Lincoln, 1st June, 1729. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1725; Fellow, 1727-47; M.A., 1729. Junior Proctor, 1735-6; B.D., 1737.

C.W. : John Kirk  
Edward Mayfield.

**170. Wysall,  
Bingham.**

- I. About Thirty three. No Dissenters.
- II. No Meeting-house
- III. No Charity School.
- IV. No Almshouse or Benefactions.
- V. I Reside on the Rectory of Keyworth.
- VI. No Residing Curate.
- VII. I know not of any Such.
- VIII. Public Service every Lord's-day, as before Specify'd on this Article, in Keyworth.
- IX. I Catechise in Lent.
- X. The Sacrament administerd, four times in the Year
- XI. I always give due Warning.

I have met with no Difficultys, Defects or Abuses worthy mentioning, by My Lord, Your Grace's most obedient Son and Servant

EDWD. MOISES.

V. EDWARD MOISES (Senior). Inst., 22nd July, 1713. D. London, 16th June, 1701. P. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1701. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1697; B.A., 1697; M.A., 1701. (See *D.N.B.* xiii. 562. *s.v.* Moises, Hugh, his son). (See *Keyworth, Kingston-upon-Soar* and *Stanton-on-the-Wolds*).

C.W. : John Fawkes  
John Winfield.



171. Willoughby [on the Wolds],  
Bingham.

- I. There are between 60 and 70 Families in my Parish. There is only one Family of Dissenters who are Anabaptists.
- II. There is no licenced or other Meeting House in my Parish
- III. There is no publick or Charity School endow'd or otherwise.
- IV. There is not any Alms House, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment in my Parish
- V. I reside in Nottingham where I was licenced to serve the Cure of Saint Peters by the late Archbishop: the whole Income of Willoughby is not sufficient to maintain a Residing Curate—
- VI. The Curate of Widmerpool serves the Cure of Willoughby, to which he was licenced by the late Archbishop. I allow him the whole Income of the Living excepting 8*l* p Ann:
- VII. I know of none who come to Church and are not baptized. I believe there may be some that being baptized and of a competent age are not confirmed
- VIII. Publick Service is duly performed in my Church one (*sic*) every Lords day.
- IX. The Children of my Parish are instructed in the Church Catechism in Lent.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is administer'd in my Church three (*sic*) at least every Year The Number of Communicants is from 15 to 25 the last Easter there were 24 or 25.
- XI. There is open & timely Warning given of the Sacrament before it is administred. I believe it has not been customary for my Parishioners to send in their Names, which, as they are all known to the Person yt: administers, may not be absolutely necessary. The Sacrament has not been refused to any.

If any thing shall hereafter occur to me in relation to the 4 last mentioned Queries, which I shall judge worthy of being communicated to You, I shall not fail of obeying Your Graces Commands being My Lord

Your Graces most obedient & dutiful Son & Servant  
Nottingham

CHAS: HUTCHINSON Vicar

September 18. 1743.

of Willoughby

V. CHARLES HUTCHINSON. Inst., 17th Nov., 1737. D. Lincoln, 9th June, 1734; P. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1735. S.S. Coll. Camb., B.A., 1732; M.A., 1736; D.D., 1754. Incorp. at Oxon., 1755. (See *Colwick and Nottingham, S. Peter's.*)

A.C. HENRY WAYTE. Lic., 24th July, 1740 at £10 a year. (See *Widmerpool*).

C.W. : Robert Screeton  
John Howit.

*For practising Midwifery without a licence.*—Elizabeth Gee, widow, prosecuted. Nothing was done.

*Fornication.*—C.D. appeared and confessed. Certificate of performance of penance returned, 13th Oct.

*Ante-nuptial Fornication.*—E.F., and G.H. (his wife). Confessed, and declaration with certificate returned, 13th Oct.

**172. Whatton,  
Bingham.**

- I. Ninety five Families. Of these no Dissenters.— —
- II. No.— — —
- III. No.
- IV. No. But the Interest of Twenty five Pounds is left by Will, and paid Yearly to the Poor of this Parish, there is likewise one Pound twelve Shillings more, wch. is the Annual Rent of a Close call'd the Poor's Close, and this is paid Yearly to the Poor of this Parish. The Minister, Church-Wardens, and Overseers of the Poor have ye direction of these Benefactions.
- V. I don't reside personally upon my Cure, but I reside about a mile from it, and the reason of my Non-Residence is because the Vicarage House is not fit for any Clergyman to live in.
- VI. I am Curate here my self. The Living is Sequestred for debt, but I am Lycens'd by his Grace the late Arch-Bp. and my Stipend is £25. a Year for serving the Cure.— —
- VII. No.
- VIII. It is perform'd once every Lord's-day. and the reason why it is not perform'd oftner, is because ye Living is small not exceeding Forty Pounds a Year.— —
- IX. The first Sunday in every Month, and all the Sundays in Lent. The Parishioners duly send their Children and Servants who have not learn'd their Catechism, to be instructed by me.—
- X. Three times a Year. There's about two Hundred Communicants. I can't say how many of them usually receive. I think about Sixty did Communicate at Easter last.— —
- XI. Notice is always given of the Sacrament the Sunday before it is administred. The Parishioners don't send in their names, but I will admonish them to do it for the future. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

V. THOMAS EVANS. Inst. and lic. to pr., 9th Feb., 1725. D. London, 30th July, 1715; P. York, 23rd Dec., 1716. Jesus Coll. Oxon., M.A.

A.C. THOMAS HEBBLETHWAITE. Allowed as C. 29th Dec., 1729. (See *Treswell and Tythby-with-Cropwell*).

The Benefice was sequestered by Abp. Blackburn, 14th Jan., 1729, when Thomas Hebblethwaite, clerk, became sequestrator. His successor, William Kilks, inst., Vicar, 10th Dec., 1763.

C.W. : John Hill

William Wheatley.

The Archbishop notes, 'Vicarage not fitt to live in.'

**173. Widmerpool,  
Bingham.**

- I. We have Forty odd Families in our Parish two of which are



Dissenters, call'd Presbyterians.\*

- II. We have one House licens'd for Dissenters in our Parish, tho' now it is not used for that Purpose.
- III. No.
- IV. No.
- V. I do not reside upon my Cure, I reside at Carlton in Lindrick, being another Rectory of which I am possess'd.
- VI. I have a residing Curate, duly qualified according to the Canons: he lives in my Parsonage House, I allow him Thirty Pounds a Year & Surplice Fees.—
- VII. No.
- VIII. It is duly perform'd twice every Lord's Day
- IX. Once a Year—
- X. Three Times, to wit. at Christmas, Easter and Whitsuntide, We have betwixt Twenty & Thirty Communicants usually receive, we had not quite twenty receiv'd the last Easter. We have about 50 Communicants.
- XI. I do give open & timely Notice of the Sacrament, they do not send in their Names. I have not refused any Person the Sacrament—

R. EDWARD GREGORY. Inst. and lic. to pr., 28th Ap., 1731. D. Ely, 21st Dec., 1729; P. York, 16th Aug., 1730. C.C.C. Camb., B.A., 1727; M.A., 1731. C. of St. Margaret, Crossgate, Durham, 1732-53; Minor Canon of Durham; Preb. of Norwell Tertia Pars at Southwell 6th Dec., 1733. (See *Carlton-in-Lindrick*).

A.C. HENRY WAYTE. Adm., 7th June, 1740. D. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1735; P. Lincoln, 21st Dec., 1735. Merton Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1734.

C.W. : Richard Grey  
Thomas Peat.

**174. Wilford,  
Bingham.**

- I. The Number of Families are 66, 7 of wch. are dissenters. 4 of ym of the Presbyterian, and 3 of the Independent Perswasion;\* many of ye former come to church in the Morning.
- II. None
- III. A Good school house lately Erected cost above 200l, endowd by ye rent of houses in London at thirty pound a year, all ye children in ye Parish are there taught ye church Catechism, and come duely to Church, except ye dissenters.
- IV. 2 Alms houses, Mr Carter ye late Rr left an 100l to beautify ye church wch is done Effectually, and 5l pr An: to ye Poor: 5l pr An: to buy books and necessarys for ye school: 5l pr An: to put out a scholar every year Apprentice: more of ys hereafter salary stopt for 2 years.
- V. I reside Personally in the Parsonage house.

\* See Appendix B.

- VI. No
- VII. I know of None but dissenters
- VIII. Publick service is read once on Wednesdays and fridays and holy days, Except in hay time and Harvest: and is twice duly perform'd every Lords day.
- IX. I Catechise 6 mounths (*sic*) in ye year. Children and Younger servants having been Instructed at school Repeat yeir Catechism to me at Church: Even ye Children of dissenters are taught ye Church Catechism.
- X. The Sacrament is only administerd 4 times a year at Present, but hereafter I design to do it 6 times. I think there are about 150 persons capable of receiving, but ye Usual number of Communicants are about seventy. I had as I remember near eighty last Easter.
- XI. I give open and timely Warning of each Sacrament. The Parishioners have not sent in yeir Names before being all of ym personally known to me.

I hope I shall in due time by yr Graces permission do my self the Honour to give a fuller account of some particulars, especially Relating to ye 3d and 4th Querys, who am with all Imaginable Respect and sincerity yr Graces most Obedient son and oblidge

J: WOODS

My Lord

In obedience to yr Graces Commands, I have given a Plain, tho short Answer to yr very Proper and Important Querys Relating to Wilford and Costock.

I purpose to do my self ye Honour of giving yr Grace a more full account of some Particulars as occasion offers. I am perswaded this will be very Agreeable and Satisfactory to one, who hath ye Good and Interest of his Diocese so much at heart. My short Experience of yr Graces great Affability and Goodness, will encourage me to speak or write my thoughts more freely; tho with ye dutyfull Respect, wch is due to one of yr Exalted Station from

Your Graces most Obedient son and Oblidge humble servant

Wilford Sep: 24. 1743

JOHN WOODS

R. JOHN WOODS. Inst., 3rd May, 1733. D. Chester, 19th Sept., 1703; P. Lincoln, 11th March, 1703. Ch. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1696; B.A., 1699; M.A., 1703. (See *Costock*).

C.W.: William Hutchinson

Alexander Richardson.

Abp. notes 'Mem. The Rector promised to Write in answer to the 3rd & 4th Articles of Endowments.'

# 175. Winthorpe, Newark.

- I. There are 39 Families in this Parish, and one Anabaptist.
- II. We have no Licens'd, or other Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. There is no publick or Charity School endowd or maintaind in this Parish.



- IV. There is not any Alms House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment in this Parish. There is a Close of 4—10—0 a year left for the Repair of the Church, and other Lands to the Value of 8—0—0 a year for the Benefit of the Poor, besides the Interest of 13*l*, paid every half year. The Churchwarden, Overseer, and my self have the Direction of all the Benefactions, which are faithfully manag'd.
- V. I do not reside Personally upon this Cure, but on my other Cure at Newark, which is a Mile distant from it.
- VI. I have no Residing Curate; but the Duty is perform'd partly by myself and partly by one of my Curates residing at Newark, who is not licens'd, and to whom I allow 5 shillings every Sunday, and when I pay him which is usually every half year, I make him a Present of five Guineas.
- VII. I know of none.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read in the Church most commonly on Holy Days, and is duly perform'd once every Lord's Day, and never oftner in my Predecessor's Time, neither is the Living of that Value, as to afford the Maintenance of a residing Curate to perform it oftner.
- IX. I usually Catechise in my Church at Lent; but the Parishioners do not duly send their Children and Servants to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church 3 times a year. We have 20 Communicants in my Parish, 16 communicated at Easter last.
- XI. I give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament; but the Parishioners do not send in their Names to me. I have refus'd the Sacrament to none.

on these last Heads I have nothing to offer. I am with all possible Veneration and Duty, My Lord, Your Grace's Most Obedient and very Humble Servant

June 29th 1743

B. WILSON

R. BERNARD WILSON. Inst., 18th Nov., 1719. (See *Newark*).

C.W. : William Skelton

John Turnell.

176. [Winkburn,  
Newark.]

[Not written on the Printed Form.)

In the Parish of Winkburn Nott:m

- 1 Families only 22 in Number. Dissenters none.
- 2 No licens'd or other Meeting House.
- 3 A Charity School endow'd with 7 Pounds per Annum, for the Education of 12 Boys, or Girls. The Master carefully instructs them in ye English Tongue, Church: Catechism &c, as also Writing & Arithmetick.

- 4 No Alms-House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowment. No Lands or Tenements for ye Repair of the Church, or other Use.
- 5 No Parsonage House or other at present for the Minister to dwell in, but I live in One I pay Rent for in the Town.
- 6 Winkburn a Donative, for ye serving which, the Impropietor pays me 19 Pounds a Year.
- 7 Those who come to Church have been all baptized, &, of a competent Age, confirmed.
- 8 Publick Service perform'd but once every Lord's Day in the Morning or Afternoon, by Reason of doing Duty at my other Parish also.
- 9 Once a Year commonly in ye Summer Time I catechise in ye Church. The Parishioners send their Children & Servants to be instructed.
- 10 I administer ye Sacrament of ye Ld's Supper in ye Church of Winkburn 4 Times a Year. The Number of Communicants about 30 in all. More or less of them receive every Time; Whereof 16 only did comuni= (*sic*) the last Easter.
- 11 I give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament, before it is to be administred. The Parishioners do not send in their Names; it being a Thing that has not been aforetime used. I have found no Reason to refuse ye Sacrament to any One.

I have not met with any particular Difficulty in ye Discharge of my Duty. I have not observed any particular Defects in ye present Canons or Discipline of the Church. I have not discover'd any Abuses or Corruptions in any Ecclesiastical Officers, or others concerned in the Execution of the Same. I have nothing further to propose, for my Part, but shall do, as much as in me lieth, in Order to promote the Glory of God, & Service & Interest of or. Established Church

JOHN BRACKON Curate of Winkburn.

My Lord,

May it please Your Grace,  
In Obedience to Your Grace's Orders, I have sent an Account as exact as I cou'd of the State & Circumstance of the two small Parishes of Winkburn & Mapplebeck under my Care. Having nothing more at present to represent to Your Grace, I humbly beg Leave to subscribe myself,

My Lord, Your Grace's Most Dutiful & Most Obedient Servant  
Winkburn Nottinghamshire (*sic*) JOHN BRACKON.  
September ye 12th: 1743.

C. JOHN BRACKON. Lic. to Winkburn and Mapplebeck, 3rd Feb., 1736. Nominated to each by different patrons. (See *Mapplebeck*).

C.W. : John Bearde.

# 177. Wollaton [with Cossall], Nottingham.

The Humble Answer of Geo. Staunton Brough Rector of Wollaton cum Cossall to his Graces Questions.



- I. There are in the Town of Wollaton seventy two Families, of which two are Quakers. And there are in that part of Cossall which is in the Parish of Wollaton Twenty eight Families, whereof Six are Presbyterians or Independents\* and one Roman Catholick.
- II. There is no Meeting House in my Parish
- III. There is a Publick School at Wollaton, endowed with eight pounds p An. there are about 50 Children taught in it. And Care is taken to instruct them in the Principles of the Christian Religion, according to the Doctrine of the Church of England; And they are brought duly to Church.
- IV. There is an Hospital at Cossal for four Men & four Women, who are to be Widowers & Widows of fifty Years of Age, the Trustees for this Hospital are Ld Middleton, Mr Warren, Mr Rolleston, Mr Edge, Mr Charlton, Mr Pilkington, & Mr Flamstead: I believe it to be well managed. And I neither know nor have heard of any abuses or frauds committed in the Management of it. We have no Lands left for the repair of either of our Churches, but Lord Middleton repairs the Church at Wollaton at his own expence.
- V. I do now reside Personally upon my Cure, and in my Parsonage House, which I could not do 'till last week, upon Account of some necessary repairs, that were not finished 'till that time, which was the Reason why I did not sooner return my Answer to Your Graces Queries.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I know of None.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in my Church at Wollaton, every Lord's-Day & Holiday throughout the Year, & every Wednesday & Friday in Lent. it is not performed twice every Lords-Day at Wollaton, for I read prayers & preach at Cossal every third Sunday, usually in the Morning tho' sometimes in the Afternoon.
- IX. I Catechise in My Church every Wednesday & Friday & most Sundays in the Afternoon during the time of Lent; & my Parishioners send their children &c to be instructed by Me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is now administer'd four times in the Year in my Church at Wollaton viz. the three great Festivals, & at Michaelmass wch was not usual before my time. & 3 times at Cossall the Number of Communicants in the Town of Wollaton is about 180 & at Cossall 80; about fifty usually receive at Wollaton; about 8 at Cossall. I can't directly answer the latter part of this Query, but I imagine there might be about 60 at Wollaton & twelve at Cossall.
- XI. I do give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administer'd. My Parishioners never send in their names, I never refused the Sacrament to any one.

\* See Appendix B.

As to these latter Queries I know of nothing now to acquaint Your Grace with, but since You have been pleased to command me freely to communicate my thoughts to You, if any thing hereafter shall occur, I shall make use of the Liberty you allow me, and freely represent it to Your Grace. I should have return'd an Answer to Your Grace as Rector of the first Medietiy of Trowell, but Mr Franceys Rector of the other Medietiy, who serves my cure & has been constantly resident there for many Years being better qualified to return an exact Answer to Your Graces Questions, has sent one for the whole Parish.

I am Your Grace's most dutiful Humble Servant  
Wollaton Sept 26 1743. GEO. STANTON BROUGH

R. GEORGE STANTON (STAUNTON) BROUGH. Inst., 22nd Nov., 1742.  
(See *Trowell*).

C.W. (Cossall) : Samuel Dennis  
Philip Sison.

C.W. (Wollaton) : Joseph Holey  
Samuel Brandram.

178. [Warsop,  
Retford.]

(Not written on the printed Form).

May it Please Your Grace 20th Sept. 1743

May Your Grace Please to accept the following Best Answers that I can make to Your quaestions (*sic*) proposed 1st that there are about 130 families in the Parish of Warsop & one family onely Dissenters & they Roman Catholicks 2d there is no meeting house 3d no Charity School 4 there is no Charity except to bread to Poor people of nine pounds without Trustees Land in the Hands of Trustees Daniel Newton & others the Interest & rent of which I believe are duely appllied (*sic*) to the proper uses 5th I have hitherto resided in the town of Warsop the Parsonage House is not yet thoroughly repaired 6th I have continued the Curate who Served my Predecessor till he can gett better provision unless &c 7 I know no Such person 8th Publick Service is read on holy days twice on Sundays 9th And Children are Catechisd four Sundays or more 10th Sacrament is administred 8 times in the Year but I do not know how many Communicants there are or how many receiv'd last time 11th Open & timely notice as required is given but the Parishioners don't give in their names & none have been refused

I am Your Grace his Obliged & Obedient Humble Servant  
JOHN MOSLEY Rector of Warsop Nottishr

R. JOHN MOSLEY. Inst. and Lic. to pr., 15th Dec., 1735. D. Durham, 16th Nov., 1735; P. Chester, 30th Nov., 1735. Adm., Lincoln's Inn, Feb., 1725. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1727; B.A., 1727; M.A., 1735. Succeeded his brother as 3rd Baronet in 1757, d. unmarried, 22nd Sept., 1779.

A.C. JOHN BROWN. Lic. as D., 23rd Dec., 1729. Allowed as P., 19th June, 1731. D. Ely, 21st Dec., 1729; P. York, 18th July, 1731. Ball. Coll. Oxon., B.A.

C.W. : Thomas Clarke  
Thomas Weightman.



*For not frequenting his Parish Church.* John Parsons of the parish, prosecuted. he exhibited a Certificate under the hands of the Minister and Church-wardens of having gone to Church, and was dismissed with an admonition to frequent his Par. Ch. for the future.  
Matthew Blenkin prosecuted 'for the like.' His case continued till 8th Dec.

**179. North Wheatley,  
Retford.**

- I. In ye Parish of North Wheatley are eighty three Families, & amongst these one Family of Presbyterian Dissenters— —
- II. We have none
- III. We have a publick School erected & maintaind by ye Parish, & endow'd wth ten Shillings p Aññ for ye Instructōn of four poor Children. The Master of which duly discharges his Duty in all Particulars requir'd in this Article— —
- IV. There is left to ye Poor of our Parish 5lib. 10s. to be distributed yearly on St. Thomas's Day according to ye Directōn of ye Minr & Church-wardens. There is Nothing left to ye Church, but only 2 Silver Salvrs.
- V. The Vicar, Dr. Standfast, always resided upon his other Living, (viz) Clifton, but is now at Bath for ye Recovery of his Health— —
- VI. The Curate resides in ye Parish & in ye Parsonage House, is duly qualified according to ye Canons, & is allow'd 30lib Yearly & Surplice Fees for serving ye Cure—
- VII. I don't know of any— —
- VIII. Prayers are read in this Church every St Day; but ye publick Service of Sunday has usually been perform'd alternately wth some other Church of small Value, & is now in that Manner serv'd wth Bole by Licence fm his late Grace
- IX. I catechise in ye Church on Sundays, Wednesdays & Fridays throughout Lent. I have no Fault to find wth ye Omission of this Duty in any of ye Parishioners—
- X. The Sacramt. of ye Lord's Supper (according to ye usual Custom held in this Church) is administer'd five Times in ye Year (scil) once at Xtms twice at Easter, on Whitsunday, & once at Michmas. We have in ye Parish 197 Persons above ye Age of 16 Years. & to ye best of my Knowledge, between 70 & 80 did communicate at Easter last.— —
- XI. Open & timely Notice is given of ye Sacramt: But it has never been customary here for ye Parishioners to send in their Names as requir'd. I have never had Reason to refuse ye Sacramt to any one— —

To these Enquiries I can't at present give an Answer

THO: MOTTERSHAW Curate at North Wheatley

V. WILLIAM STANDFAST. Inst., 18th July, 1720. (See *Clifton, Notts.*)  
A.C. THOMAS MOTTERSHAW. Lic., 23rd March, 1738. D. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1735; P. Lincoln, 18th March, 1738. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1734. (See *Bole*).

C.W. : Thomas White  
Thomas Smith.

**180. Walkeringham,  
Retford.**

- I. About 76 Families. Only one Dissenter in the Parish, viz: A Presbyterian.
- II. No Meeting-house.
- III. There is a Free-School endow'd with £15 : 00s : 00d. A Year. All the Children in the Parish are taught in it, and they are constantly instructed in the Church-Catechism both at School & Church. There is also twenty shillings a Year for buying Books for poor Children.
- IV. There's no Alms-house nor Hospital; nor have any Lands been left for the Repair of the Church. There is a Piece of arable Land in the Field (call'd 3 acres) always enjoy'd by the Vicar, which, as Tradition says, was left for the repairing of the Bell-ropes. There are also several Benefactions to the Poor, which all together amount to £16—15s: 00d a Year, and are, I believe, duly applied. The Minister & Churchwardens, the Constable & Overseers of the poor are the Trustees.
- V. I reside in my Vicarage-House.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I don't know of any Unbaptiz'd; but there are several of a competent Age not yet confirm'd, tho' I took a good deal of Pains to perswade 'em to it, at the last Confirmatn. The Parents objected to the great Distance of the Place & the Expence it wou'd be attended with.
- VIII. I read the Service here once every Sunday either in the Morning or Afternoon, and the same at Gringley on the Hill.
- IX. I catechise here in every Week during Lent, & likewise read Prayers. The Parishioners send their Children duly, but not Servants.
- X. It is administer'd here three times a Year. I had about 30 that recd. last Easter, and generally that is the Number. There may be about 170 or 180 in the Parish above 16 Years old
- XI. Due Warning is always given. The People do not send in their names, as having never yet been accustom'd to it. I've not refus'd any one the Sacramt—I am, My Lord,  
Yr. Graces most Dutiful and most Humble Servt.

Walkringham Aug: 30th 1743

J. WADDINGTON Minister.

V. JOSHUA WADDINGTON. Inst., 1st Feb., 1734. D. Lincoln, 20th May, 1733; P. Chester, 26th Jan., 1734. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1731; B.A., 1731; M.A., 1752. (See *Greenley-on-the-Hill*).

C.W. : John Hardey  
Thomas Horbry.

**181. Wailsby, [Walesby].  
Retford.**

- I. There are in ye Parish of Walesby thirty five Families; of these two are Dissenters, viz: of ye People call'd Quakers.



- II. There is a Dwelling House in ye Parish, wherein ye Quakers do assemble once a Month; it was licens'd (as they tell me) in ye Reign of King William ye third; their Numbers are but Small; & often times they have no Speaker.<sup>1</sup>
  - III. There is no publick or Charity School in ye Parish.
  - IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other charitable Endowment: No Lands left for ye Repairs of ye Church, or to any other pious Use; only ye Interest of twelve Pounds is given yearly to ye Poor, at ye Discretion of ye Minister & Church-wardens; & there are no Abuses or Frauds, that I know of, committed in ye Disposal thereof.
  - V. I do reside personally on my Cure, & in ye Vicarige House.
  - VI. I have no Curate.
  - VII. I do not know of any that come to Church in ye Parish, that are not baptized; but there are Several of competent Age, that are not confirmed.
  - VIII. The publick Service in ye Church is perform'd once every Lord's-Day in ye Morning, except on ye first Sunday in ye Month, when it is in ye Afternoon: The other part of ye Day I perform publick Service at Wellow.
  - IX. I catechise in ye Summer time; but ye Parishioners are not very careful to Send their Children or Servants.
  - X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd five times in ye Year: there are in ye Parish eighty Communicants; whereof not more than twenty do usually receive; and about forty did communicate at Easter last.
  - XI. I do always give publick Warning of ye Sacrament ye Lord's Day before it is administer'd: The Parishioners do not Send in their Names: I have not refused ye Sacrament to any one.
- Walesby August 8th 1743.                      RICHD. JACKSON Vicar of Walesby.

V. RICHARD JACKSON. Inst., 29th Sept., 1720. D. York, 19th June, 1709; P. York, 24th Sept., 1710. Jesus Coll. Camb. Scho. 1707; B.A., 1707. Dom. Chap. to the Earl of Exeter. (See *Headdon* and *Wellow*).

C.W. : Thomas Learey  
Samuel Clark.

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**182. Worksopp, [Worksop.]  
Retford.**

- I. There are 358 Families, 27 of wh are Papists. We have one Quaker.
- II. We have no Licens'd Meeting house. It is reported there is a Chappel at Worksop Mannor to wh people resort.<sup>2</sup>
- III. There is no publick School. There is 4 pounds 6 shillings pr annū left for teaching nine poor children. There are about 70 children taught in the School. There are other people teach School children. They are instructed in the

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix C.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix A.

principles of ye Xian religion. And I fear a popish woman teaches the children of Papists the Popish Catechisme.

- IV. We have an Estate valued at eleven pounds ten shillings pr annum for charitable uses wh is duly apply'd.
- V. Yes.
- VI. No.
- VII. No.
- VIII. Publick Service is duly perform'd twice every Ld̄s day, & once on Wednesdays, Frydays & Holydays.
- IX. Children are taught their Catechisme every year. I begin to hear 'em ye Sunday after Trinity, & continue so to do every Sunday till I have heard 'em all. The Parishioners send their Children & Servants.
- X. The Sacrament is administred nine times pr annum. As near as I can compute there are 932 Communicants. Receiv'd at Xtmas last 148. At Easter 177. At Whitesuntide 114. On the 3d of July after the Confirmation 140, of wh 120 receiv'd the first time.
- XI. I give open & timely warning of the Sacrament before it is administred. Some send in their names. I never refus'd the Sacrament to any person.

V. JOHN COOKE. Inst., 25th Oct., 1728. D. Peterborough, 25th Sept., 1715; P. Peterborough, 22nd Sept., 1717. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1714.

C.W. : Mr Isaac Fairbrother

Mr Francis Atkinson

Abp. notes, 'Chapel supposed at the Manor. Popish woman teaches Children here.'

### 183. Welley, [Wellow]. Retford.

- I. There are in ye Parish of Wellow sixty Families; only one Dissenter, who is a Papist.
- II. There is no Meeting House in ye Parish.
- III. There is no publick or Charity-School in ye Parish.
- IV. There is no Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment: No Lands left for ye Repairs of ye Church, or to any other pious Use; only one & thirty Pounds have been at several times given to ye Parish, for ye teaching of poor Children, under ye Direction of ye Minister & Church-Wardens; & no Abuses or Frauds, that I have heard of, have been committed in ye Management of them.
- V. I do not reside in ye Parish; I live at Walesby, two Miles distant, of wch Place I am Vicar.
- VI. I have no Curate; I serve ye Cure myself.
- VII. I do not know of any that come to Church, that are not baptized; but there are several in ye Parish of competent Age, that are not confirmed.
- VIII. The publick Service in ye Church is duly perform'd once



every Lord's Day: In ye Morning, ye first Sunday in every Month; & in ye Afternoon every other Lord's Day.

- IX. I catechise in ye Summer time, when most of ye Parishioners do Send their Children & Servants, to be instructed in ye Catechism.
- X. The Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper is administer'd five times in ye Year; there are in ye Parish an hundred & forty Communicants; whereof not more than thirty do usually receive; nor did more than sixty communicate at Easter last.
- XI. I do always give publick Warning of ye Sacrament, ye Lord's Day before it is administer'd: The Parishioners do not send in their Names: I have not refused ye Sacrament to any one.

Walesby, August 8th 1743.

RICHD. JACKSON  
Curate of Wellow

C. RICHARD JACKSON. Adm., 29th Sept., 1720. (See *Walesby* and *Headon*).

C.W. : John Whitworth  
Richard Congill.

*Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. He did penance.

**184. South Wheatley,  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. We have twelve families, no dissenters.
- II. No meeting house—
- III. No school
- IV. No Alms house Hospital &c no lands left for the Repairs of the Church, only ten shillings to be yearly disposed of by ye Minister & Churchwarden among ye poorer inhabitants.
- V. I reside at Beckingham
- VI. It is Supplied by ye Curate of North Wheatley till Michaelmas next for which he is to receive the full profits of the Curacy of Misterton which I shall then resign.
- VII. I have heard of none
- VIII. Since I have been presented it has had Service once every Sunday & at Michaelmas I (God willing) purpose to Supply Beckingham & it alternately one Sunday in ye Morning another in ye afternoon
- IX. I purpose to Catechise once every week during the time of Lent
- X. It has hitherto been administred four times yearly, twenty Six Communicants, ten, last Easter fourteen
- XI. I purpose to give notice the Sunday before

I am My Lord Your Graces Most obedient humble Servant  
THO: RICHARDSON Rector

R. THOMAS RICHARDSON. Coll. by Chapter of Southwell, 21st Ap., 1743; D. Lincoln, 4th June, 1721; P. Lincoln, 20th Sept., 1724. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1720. (See *Beckingham* and *Misterton*).

C.W. : William Peck.

**185. Weston,  
Newark.**

- I. About forty Families only one Dissentr: who is a Quakr.
- II. No Meeting House
- III. A Charity School lately built & endow'd viz: five Pounds pr: An: to teach ten Children to read & are instructed in ye: Principles of ye: Xtian Religion &c
- IV. We have 3 or 4 Alms-houses maintain'd at ye: Charge of ye: Parish we have also had Money left for pious uses but thro' Neglect Mismanagemt: or R—ry<sup>1</sup> have been misapply'd &c & I'm very much affraid tis not to be recover'd this sd: sum<sup>n</sup> was left before I was Rectr:
- V. I don't reside upon my Living but am at prest. at Newark for ye: Recovery of my Health
- VI. I have a Residing Curate & is qualifi'd according to ye Canons in yt: Behalf he lives in ye: Parsonage House & I allow him near thirtie Pounes (*sic*) pr: An:—
- VII. Not one
- VIII. The publick Service is read on Holy-Days & Prayers & Sermons every Sunday either in ye: fore-noon or After he having another Curacy
- IX. In Lent ye: Children & servts. are Catechis'd & ye Parishioners do their Duty in yt: Particular.
- X. The Sacramt. is administer'd five times in ye: Year We have about 70 Co<sup>m</sup>unicants in ye: Parish twixt 20 & 30 usually receive & about 40 at Easter
- XI. Timely Warning of ye Sacramt. is given before 'tis administer'd—  
The rest o.b.<sup>2</sup>

PAUL JENKINSON Rectr: of Weston

R. PAUL JENKINSON. Inst., 1st Nov., 1704. D. York, 20th Sept., 1702; P. York, 1st Nov., 1704. Trin. Coll. Camb. Scho., 1699; B.A., 1700; M.A., 1704.

C.W. : Bartholomew Wade  
William Cow.

**186. Woodborrow [Woodborough],  
Southwell (Peculiar).**

- I. We have about Sixty Families no Dissenters
- II. We have a House licens'd for the Presbiterians<sup>3</sup> in our Parish but there has been no Meeting kept in it for seven Years last past. We have three [word erased]. We have no licensd Meeting House nor any Dissenters of any Sort in Our Parish.
- III. We have a Charity School endowed and all the Children within the Parish are free to be taught in it. there is very

<sup>1</sup> Presumably Roguery is meant.

<sup>2</sup> i.e., Omnia bene.

<sup>3</sup> See Appendix B.



good Care taken to instruct them in the Principles of the Christian Religion according to the Doctrine of the Church of England and are duly brought to Church.

- IV. We have no Charitable Endowment within our Parish but the School above mentioned and the Curacy augmented. The Direction of the School is in the Rector of Epperston, the Rector of Lambley, and the Curate of Woodborough. We have no abuses in Management of the School as I can hear off.
- V. The Cure of Woodborough is annexed with the Vicarage of Calverton, (Calverton joins the Parish of Woodborough and but half a Mile distance from it) and consolidated as far as the Chapter of Southwell have Power. there is no House to reside in I live at Calverton.
- VI. I serve the Cure myself—
- VII. I know of no Person of either Query
- VIII. The publick Service is read once every Lords Day in Our Church Morning and Evening Service alternately I am obliged to serve the Vicarage of Calverton the other part of the Day.
- IX. I Catechise the Children and Servants during Lent, and all the Summer from May to Michaelmass, whilst the length of Days gives me Opportunity, and spend some time two Lords (*sic*) in the Month during the Catechising half year in instructing the Youth in the Principles of Religion.
- X. I administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supr. 4 times at least in the Year, I have about fourscore Communicants about forty receive at every administration of the Lords Supper and at Easter last about 50.
- XI. I give open & timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administered, My Parishioners have not sent in their Names but I will give Notice they are to do so. I have had no Occasion to refuse the Sacrament to any Person.

[Remainder, same as Eastwait]

Woodborough. May 21. 1744.

MAURICE PUGH, Curate

C. MAURICE PUGH. Adm. by Commissary of Chapter of Southwell, 17th Ap., 1740. (See *Eastwood* and *Calverton*).

C.W. : Christopher Wild  
Robert Wheeler.

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The five Returns following, probably because they were late, are not bound up in the MS. volume, but are loose. The numbers assigned here are for convenience only.

187. Calverton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).

- I. We have about eighty Families in Our Parish we have but two Families Dissenters, one of them Presbyterian, one Quaker.
- II. We have a licensd Meeting House in Our Parish for the Presbyterians,\* but it has not been made use of these 5 or 6 Years
- III. We have a Charity School, but not endowed, to teach fourteen Children to read english at the Direction of Mr: Abel Smith, Trustee to the late Mr. Labray of this Town. the Children are instructed as the Canon requires.
- IV. We have no Alms House, but have land given to the the (*sic*) Poor. by Mrs. Jane Pepper late of this Parish and others the Rent of which is 2 : 7 : 0 per Añ. The Vicar and Parish Officers dispose of it jointly to the Poor, we know of no abuse in the management of it.
- V. I reside upon My Vicarage of Calverton.
- VI. I do the Duty Myself—
- VII. I know of no such Persons.
- VIII. I read the publick Service once every Lords Day in My Church Morning & Evening alternately I am obliged to do Duty in the Church of Woodborough that is joined with Calverton, I presume the small allowance from the Church of Southwell has been the Reason that Service could not be performed according to Canon
- IX. I catechise the Children and Servants during the time of Lent, and all the Summer from May to Michaelmass, and spend some time every Sunday Evening in instructing the Youth in the Principles of the Christian Religion during that time.
- X. I administer the Sacrament four times in Year at least. I have about a hundred and fifty Communicants they all receive two or three Times in the Year, about three score last Easter.
- XI. I give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administred, My Parishioners give Me Notice when any Young persons design to communicate, or new Servants, but the elderly People I have not called upon to do so but will for the future. I have had no Reason to refuse the Sacrament to any Person.

[Remainder, same as Eastwait]

Calverton May 21. 1744

MAURICE PUGH Vicar

\* See Appendix B.



V. MAURICE PUGH. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 22nd Jan., 1740.  
(See *Eastwood*).

C.W. : John Blackwell  
Roger Jackson.

188. **Eastwait [Eastwood),  
Nottingham.**

- I. We have foty (*sic*) three Families or thereabouts in Our Parish 17 Farmers and 25 Cottagers five of them Quakers. no other Dissenters
- II. We have no Meeting House in Our Parish.
- III. We have no Charity School.
- IV. We have no Alms house, Hospital or other Charitable Endowment—
- V. I do not reside at Eastwait upon My Cure I am obliged to reside upon My Vicarage at Calverton in the County of Nottingham and Liberty of Southwell— —
- VI. I have a Curate (allowed of by his Grace our late Arch Bishop) who lives at Greisley the next Parish to Eastwait or Eastwood he is allowed clear of all Taxes but £16. per An. the Living is small.
- VII. I know of no such Persons— —
- VIII. The Publick Service is read once every Lords Day in Our Church Morning & Evening alternately the smallness of the Living is the only Reason that I can give, that Service is not performed twice every Lords Day
- IX. I used to Catechise the Children & Servants in My Parish during the Time of Lent and all the Summer from May to Michaelmass and My Curate continues to do the same.
- X. I administer the Sacrament of the Lords Supper four times at least in the Year. I have about an hundred Communicants. about thirty receive at every Administration of the Lords Supper, I did not take a Particular Account the Easter required but I believe about 50.
- XI. I give open and timely warning of the Sacrament before it is administred. but my Parishioners have not sent in their names as required, I will give Notice that they may. I have refused the Sacrament to no Person, having no Occosion (*sic*) to the best of My Judgment.

I have nothing to offer upon these inquiries but pray to God Almighty to continue our present happy Establish-  
ment and Discipline in our Church. and Your Grace our  
long and Happy Governour of this Particular Branch

May 21. } of it I am Your Graces Most Dutifull Son and humble  
1744: } Servant MAURICE PUGH Rector

R. MAURICE PUGH. Inst. and lic. to pr., 4th May, 1730. D. Hereford,  
15th Sept., 1728; P. Carlisle, 1st May, 1730. Balliol Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1727;  
M.A., 1731. (See *Calverton* and *Woodborough*).

A.C. JOHN COOPER. (See *Greasley* and *Thorpe-in-the-Glebes*).

C.W. : Richard Bourne  
Thomas Carlin.

**189. Mansfield,  
Nottingham.**

- I. There are in the Parish of Mansfield about Six Hundred Families: of These about one Hundred & Fifty are Dissenters: One Third of Whom are Quakers<sup>1</sup>, & the Rest are Presbyterians<sup>2</sup>.
- II. There are Two Meeting Houses (Quaker & Presbyterian) Whether licens'd or Not I don't know: They assemble on Sundays & Other Occasions; in what Numbers I can't Say: Mr Shaw is the Presbyterian Teacher.
- III. There are 2 Publick Charity-Schools; 1st Queen Elizabeth's Free Grammar-School for All the Inhabitants Children: 2ly Mrs. Ruth Clarkson's Charity-School to teach Poor children to work & read. The Children of Both Schools are instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion, According to the Doctrine of the Church of England, & brought duly to Church.
- IV. 1st. There were Lands left by Dame Cecily Floggan for the Maintenance of a Presbyter &c: Confirmed by Charter by Q. Mary, Daughter of King Henry 8th=But a Fuller Account of This Charity, as well as That of Q. Elizabeth's above-mentioned may be seen in a Folio-Book late in the Custody of his late Grace Lancelot, Archbp̄. of York. (Mark D.) the Handwriting of A.Bp Sharpe. A Copy whereof His late Grace ordered to me: 2ly. Mrs. Heath's Alms-House, for 12 Poor Men or Women: how endowed I know Not. It being entirely managed by & filled, wth. Quakers. There are other Charitable Gifts to the said Parish.
- V. I reside Personally upon My Cure in the Vicarage-House.
- VI. There is a Residing Curate, namely, Oakeley Rees, AB. of Jesus College in Oxford. He will be duely qualified according to the Canons, at the Next Visitation. He does not live in the Vicarage House. He is allowed by me Thirty Five Pounds a Year.
- VII. I know of None, Who Come to Church in My Parish, that are not Baptized Or that being Baptized, & of a Competent Age, are not desirous of being Confirmed.
- VIII. The Publick Service is read in the Church Every Day in the Year. It is duly perform'd Twice Every Lord's Day; On Which Also there are Two Sermons.
- IX. The Children are Catechised in the Church Every Sunday in Lent. Some attend to be instructed.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administred in the Parish Church Every First Sunday in the Month; besides the Solemn Festivals. I beleive (*sic*) there are near 500 Communicants, of whom about 50 usually receive. There were about 200 who Communicated at Easter last.

1. Appendix C.

2. Appendix B.



- XI. I give Open & Timely Warning of the Sacrament (at least a Week) before it is administred: The Parishioners do not send in to me Their Names, not being heretofore accustomed so to do. I have refused the Sacrament to No One that has offered.

With Many Prayers for Your Grace's Long Continuance Amongst us, for Promoting the Glory of God & the Edification of His Church, I remain, May it please Your Grace, Your most dutifull Son & Servant,

JAMES BADGER, Vicar of Mansfield, in the County & Deanry of Nottingham, & Diocese of York.

V. JAMES BADGER. Inst., 23rd June, 1737. D. Winton, 22nd Sept., 1728; P. Oxon., 20th Sept., 1730. 'Lecturer or Concionator' Adm., 27th Oct., 1737. Trin. Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1720; M.A., 1723.

A.C. Both the Call and the Exhibits Books (1st June, 1743) give as the Assistant Curate JOHN WRIGHT. Lic., 17th August, 1730. P. York, 16th August, 1730. Magd. Coll. Camb., LL.B., 1730.

A.C. as above (probably successor to John Wright) OAKELEY REES. Jesus Coll. Oxon., B.A., 1742; M.A., 1745.

C.W. : William Green  
John Shann.

**190. Normanton upon Soar,  
Bingham.**

- I. My Lord,  
There are at present three and Thirty Families in this Parish; one of which are of that Sort of Dissenters who are commonly called Anabaptists.
- II. There is no Meeting House in this Parish.
- III. We have not any publick or Charity School: a Woman teaches the Children to read; She causes them to learn the Church Catechism, and brings them to Church, as the Canon requires.
- IV. There is not in this Parish any Alms-House, Hospital, or other Charitable Endowment; nor have any Lands or Tenements been left for the Repair of the Church; or to any other pious Use.
- V. I reside personally upon the Cure, and in the Parsonage House.
- VI. I have no Curate.
- VII. I do not know that any unbaptized persons come to Church in this parish; and as for those who though they had been Baptized, and were of a competent Age, had never been confirmed, I did, in Conformity to Your Grace's Command bring as many of them as I could to the late Confirmation.
- VIII. The publick Service is performed in this Church twice every Lord's-Day, and at the Request of some of the parishioners, who had been used to much preaching, I preach twice every Sunday, except only those times of the Year, when instead

of the Afternoon Sermon I give them a Lecture upon the Catechism; we have also Prayers on Wednesdays and Fridays, and upon the Fasts and Festivals.

IX. I have Several Times exhorted the Parishioners often to send their Children and Servants to be Catechiz'd but found that it was not easy to persuade them to do it, because they had been accustomed to be so instructed only in the Time of Lent, then they constantly say their Catechism at Church, and I explain it them, which Exercise I usually continue some time after the Season of Lent is expired.

X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in this Church six times in the Year. There are ninety persons in this Parish of an Age fit to communicate; of these about sixty receive, some at one time some at another; particularly, Thirty communicated at Easter last.

XI. I give Warning of the Sacrament in such manner as the Rubrick directs; but whenever I have endeavour'd to persuade the people to send in their Names as they are required, have always found them very averse to it, alledging that it was never customary with them so to do. I never refused the Sacramen (*sic*) to any

If any thing occurs, I shall not fail either to write, or to beg the Honour of waiting on Your Grace in order to communicate it.

JOHN RAGDALE Rr. of Normanton on the Soar

R. JOHN RAGDALE. Inst. and lic. to pr., 30th April, 1736. D. Chester, 31st Oct., 1731; P. York, 4th June, 1732. Literate; Trin. Coll. Oxon., Matr., 1729; M.A., Camb. per Litt. Reg., 1764.

C.W. : Henry Garton  
Henry Wilkinson.

### 191. Saint Mary's in Nottingham, Nottingham.

I. I can't with any Certainty say what Number of Families there is in the Parish of St. Mary in Nottingham. It is generally supposed there are at least ten thousand Parishioners. Of these I believe one fourth part are Dissenters of different Denominations. The greatest part of them are Presbyterians and Independents. There are some Anabaptists and Quakers; and very few Papists, I believe not more than eight or ten.

II. The Presbyterians have one licens'd Meeting House in my Parish\*, where they assemble twice every Sunday, in considerable Numbers. I have heard there are generally about four or five hundred. There is a Lecture also once in a fortnight on Thursday. The Name of the present Teacher is—Eaton, Doctor of Divinity of one of the Universities in Scotland. He has an Assistant whose name is Harropp.

\* See Appendix B.



There has lately been another House licens'd for the Anabaptists, where they assemble twice every Sunday in small Numbers. The name of the Teacher is — Morley. He teaches a small School and is a Pensioner of Chelsea Hospital. He was a Follower of the Methodists, and has lately set up as an Anabaptist Teacher.

- III. There is a free Grammar School in this Parish endow'd with a yearly Salary of £50 and a House for the Master, and £30 for the Usher. There is also a Charity School, in which 60 poor Children are taught and clothed by voluntary Contributions. I believe due Care is taken in both these Schools to instruct the Scholars in the Principles of the Christian Religion according to the Doctrine of the Church of England; and to bring them duly to Church.
- IV. There are several Alms-Houses in this Parish; some of them are under the Direction of the Corporation, and some of private Persons, viz: the Duke of Kingston, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Plumptre, Mr. Sherwin, the Church-Wardens and others. Some few Lands and Tenements have been left for the Repair of the Church, the Rents of which are receiv'd and accounted for by the Church-Wardens. I do not know of any Abuses or Frauds committed in the Management of any of these charitable Endowments.
- V. I do reside personally upon my Cure and in my Vicarage House; and I likewise keep an Assistant Curate
- VI. I have an Assistant Curate who resides in the Parish. I allow Him forty Pounds a year.
- VII. I do not know of any who come to Church in my Parish that are not baptized. I believe there are many who were baptized by Dissenters, and now come to Church, who are not Confirmed.
- VIII. Publick Service is read in my Church twice every Day.
- IX. I catechise in this Church every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday during the season of Lent. The Parishioners send many of their Children and Servants who have not learn'd their Catechism, to be instructed by me.
- X. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administer'd in my Church on the first Sunday in every Month, and also on Good Friday, on Easter Sunday at six o'clock in the Morning and at Noon, on Whitsunday and on Christmass Day. I can't with any certainty say what Number of Communicants there is in this Parish. About 160 or 180 usually receive. At the Easter Sacraments this Year about 500 receiv'd.
- XI. I do give open and timely Warning of the Sacrament before it is administered. It has not been customary for the Parishioners to send in their Names to the Minister. I have not refused the Sacrament to any one.

April 17, 1745

SCROPE BERDMORE

Vicar of St. Mary's in Nottingham.

It will be noted that this Return was sent in two years after the Visitation, which was held at Nottingham on Friday, 27th May, 1743, when this vicarage was vacant.

V. (when this return was made). SCROPE BERDMORE. Inst., 29th Oct., 1743. (See *Holme Pierrepont* and *Cropwell Bishop*).

A.C. ROBERT STANLEY. Lic., 27th Dec., 1738. (See *Papplewick* and *Blidworth*).

Master, Free Gr. School, JOHN HENSON. (See *Edwalton* and *Stanton upon-the-Wolds*).

Usher, Free Gr. School, GEORGE WAYTE. (See *Radford* and *Lenton*).

C.W. : Mr John Butcher

Mr William Drewry

Assistants : Mr Richard Liptrott

Mr Job Parr.

Mr Charles Browne

Mr Thomas Pearson.

*Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. (of Harthill). Excommunicated 1st Sept; denounced 3rd March, 1744. 23rd May, 1745. A.B. absolved and was condemned to perform Penance in the Parish Church of Holme Pierrepont by 27th June. A Certificate of performance was returned.

The parishes which follow made no Return to the Archbishop, but the facts concerning them, contained in the records of the Visitation preserved in the Archbishop's Registry, are given below. The numbers assigned to the parishes have no reference to the MS. at Bishopthorpe, and are for convenience only.

**192. [Bawtry Chapel,  
Retford.]**

C. JOHN WELSH. Allowed, 29th March, 1731. D. Linc., 31st May, 1724; P. Linc., 22nd Sept., 1728. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1723; M.A., 1728. (See *Laneham*).

Master of Hospital of S. Mary Magdalen. JOHN LUDLAM. Coll., 5th Apr., 1732. (See *Mattersey*).

C.W. : John Ball

Samuel Maw.

**193. [Bridgford, East,  
Bingham.]**

R. PETER PRIAULX. Inst., 24th Ap., 1742. D. Sarum, 24th Sept., 1727; P. Norwich, 22nd Feb., 1729. Ch. Ch. Oxon., Madg. Coll. Demy., B.A., 1723; M.A., 1726; Fellow, 1728-43; B.D., 1734; Bursar, 1737; Dean of Divinity, 1741.

C.W. : John Greene

Henry Kirk.

**194. [Burton, West,  
Retford.]**

C. ROBERT AYDE. Adm., 21st Sept., 1726. (See *Barnbrough* and *Treswell*).

Call Bk. gives as Curate: ABRAHAM SAMPSON. D. Lincoln, 21st Sept., 1740; P. York, 25th Sept., 1743. Lic. to serve A. Curacy of East Med. of Treswell and West Burton, 26th Sept., 1743. Jesus Coll. Camb., B.A., 1739. (See *Sturton-in-the-Clay* and *Treswell*).

C.W. : William Storey.



195. [Caunton,  
Southwell (Peculiar).]

V. THOMAS LEACH. Inst. by Chapter of Southwell, 22nd July, 1731.  
(See *North Muskham*).

C.W. : Thomas Keys  
John Bullivant.

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196. [Cotgrave,  
Bingham.]

R. Vacant.

C.W. : Samuel Clipp  
William Morris

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197. [Eddingley,  
Southwell (Peculiar).]

C. SAMUEL ABSON. Adm. by Chapter of Southwell, 20th Jan., 1742.  
D. Bristol, 13th June, 1742; P. York, 19th Feb., 1743. St. John's Coll.  
Camb., B.A., 1741; M.A., 1745.

C.W. : Joseph Hinch  
Peter Godfrey.

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198. [Flintham,  
Bingham.]

V. Vacant.

C.W. : Joseph Bettison  
John Matlock.

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199. [Hallam, West,  
Southwell (Peculiar.)]

C. JOHN LAVERACK. (See *Southwell*).

C.W. : William Dring  
Richard Hawksley.

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200. [Kingston upon Soar,  
Bingham.]

C. EDWARD MOISES (Senr.). Adm., 17th June, 1713. (See *Wysall*,  
*Keyworth*, *Kingston-upon-Soar*, and *Stanton-upon-the-Wolds*).

C.W. : Thomas Lacey.

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201. [Laneham,  
D. and C. of York (Peculiar).]

V. JOHN WELSH, M.A. Coll. by D. and C., of York, 8th June, 1731.  
D. Linc., 31st May, 1724; P. Linc., 22nd Sept., 1728. (See *Bawtry*).

C.W. Old : Samuel Mastin  
William Scowthorn  
New : Thomas Greenwood  
John Cottam

202. [Melton on the Hill,  
Doncaster.]

C. JOHN FOX. (See *Cantley* and *Edlington*).  
C.W. Old : William Allen  
New : George Marsh.

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203. [North Muskham with Chapel of Holme,  
D. and C. of York (Peculiar).]

V. THOMAS LEACH (Leech: Reg. London). Inst. by Chapter of Southwell,  
22nd July, 1731. D. London, 13th March, 1714; P. London, 26th Feb.,  
1715. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1714. (See *Caunton*).  
C.W. (North Muskham) John Capps  
George Milbourn.  
C.W. (Holme Chapel) Samuel Barlow  
Samuel Mottram.

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204. [Ossington,  
Newark.]

C. FRANCIS FOTHERGILL. D. Ely, 18th Dec., 1709; P. York, 23rd Sept.,  
1711. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1707.  
No Wardens.

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205. [Saundby,  
Retford.]

R. DELANOY REES. Inst. and lic. to pr., 2nd March, 1738. D. Norwich,  
13th June, 1731; P. St. David's, 20th April, 1735. Jesus Coll. Oxon., B.A.,  
1731; M.A., from Emm. Coll. Camb., 1739.  
A.C. JOHN HOLLAND. Lic., 6th Jan., 1741. D. Lincoln, 18th Feb.,  
1731; P. Lincoln, 2nd March, 1734. Queens' Coll. Camb. (Lincoln Reg.).  
C.W. : Henry Saundby.

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206. [Selston,  
Nottingham.]

C. Vacant.  
C.W. : Samuel Rawson  
Richard Saunders.

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207. [Sibthorpe,  
Newark.]

(A Donative of the Duke of Portland.)  
C. No appearance. (See *Ossington*).  
C.W. : No appearance.

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208. [Sneinton,  
Nottingham.]

C. SCROPE BERDMORE. Allowed by Abp. 7th March, 1743. (See *Holme  
Pierpoint* with *Adbolton*; *Nottingham*, *S. Mary's* and *Cropwell Bishop*).  
C.W. : John Leeson  
William Birch.  
*Ante-Nuptial Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. (his wife); he confessed; certificate  
of his performance of penance returned, April, 1745.



**209. [Southwell,  
Peculiar.]**

V. JOHN LAVERACK. Inducted by Chappell Fowler (See *Upton*), 18th March, 1741. D. Linc., 18th Feb., 1732; P. Linc., 23rd Sept., 1734. St. John's Coll. Camb., B.A., 1730; M.A., 1738. (See *Hallam, West*.)

School Master: HENRY BUGG. (See *Bleasby and Kneeton*).

C.W. : Mr John Clay  
Charles Redish  
Gervas Marshall  
John Turner.

*Ante-Nuptial Fornication*.—A.B. and C.D. his wife. Excommunicated, 1st Sept; denounced, 16th Dec., 1744.

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**210. [Staunton Chapel,  
Bingham.]**

C. STAUNTON DEGGE. (See *Staunton Church and Flawborough*).

A.C. SAMUEL LEEKE. (See *Kilvington, Sutton-on-Trent, and North Collingham*).

Chapel Warden : William Bokin.

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**211. [Stourton-in-the-Clay, (Sturton).  
Retford.]**

V. BRYAN ALLET. Inst. by D. and C. of York, 9th Jan., 1734. (See *Londesborough and St. John's, York*).

A.C. ABRAHAM SAMPSON. (See *Burton, West and Treswell*).

C.W. : William Ashton  
Aaron Seales.

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## APPENDIX A.—ROMAN CATHOLICS.

*By S. L. Ollard.*

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### Prefatory Note.

This Appendix endeavours to illustrate, and where necessary to supplement, the information about Roman Catholics given in these Returns. To have printed as foot-notes to the text the facts collected here would have burdened unduly the pages of these volumes and would have failed to give such a general view as is attempted here. It is at best an outline, yet the references to the various sources may help some future historian to fill in the picture. The Appendix is arranged as follows :—

1. A sketch of the position of the Roman Catholics in the diocese in 1743.
2. A List of the Roman Catholic priests named in the Returns.
3. A Note on each parish (arranged alphabetically) where there was either a chapel, or a group of Roman Catholics dependent upon a neighbouring chapel and priest. The Notes correct silently mistakes about Roman Catholic chaplains made in the footnotes I attached to the text of the Returns.

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The principal authorities I have used are :—

**A. Mss.** 1. A List of the Clergy in his District made by Dr. Dicconson, Bishop of Malla and Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District, 1741. The Bishop kept the List up to date till his death in 1752. It is a 12mo volume in brown calf; on some of the blank pages at the end are added in a very modern hand lists of confirmation tours in the Northern District undertaken by Bishop Petre, Bishop Dicconson's successor, between 1753 and 1758. These additions are taken from a Ms. in the archives of the Bishop of Leeds. Bishop Dicconson's *List* is among the archives of the Archbishop of Liverpool. It is usually cited below as the 1741 *List*.

2. A collection of Returns, letters, etc. relating to Roman Catholics 1723-1745; among the archives of the Archbishop of York at Bishopthorpe. It is cited below as *Bishopthorpe Mss.* H. 2. 10.

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### 1.—A General Sketch.

Roman Catholics are reported in 262 of the 836 Returns; they are described variously as Roman Catholics, Romans or Papists. In most cases they are few, sometimes only one family or one person, but in at least 11 parishes a priest and a chapel are reported. This is remarkable, since by the laws then existing, a Roman Catholic priest exercising his functions was liable to imprisonment for life, and so recently as October 1729 a Franciscan missionary, Fr. Paul Atkinson, O.S.F., had died in Hurst Castle where he had been imprisoned since 1700. Moreover, men were living in 1743 who could remember easily, and may well have seen, the barbarous executions at York in August 1679 of the saintly Nicholas Postgate, an old man of 79, and of Thomas Thwing in October, 1680 for exercising their functions as Roman Catholic priests. Some of the clergy who make Returns at this Visitation were schoolboys or undergraduates at the time. The savagery of the penal laws made the Government afraid, as Lord Chancellor Hardwicke wrote in 1745 to Archbishop Herring, to put them into execution, for fear lest juries should refuse to convict; yet the laws remained on the Statute Book and as was shown in 1745 and 1746 were by no means dead letters. When, however, the chief of the English Roman Catholics, Edward, 9th Duke of Norfolk (1686-1777) went to Court in 1733 it was clear that King George II need not fear seriously the disloyalty of his Roman Catholic subjects in England; as the events of 1745 proved. Archbishop Herring in the autumn of that year wrote apprehensively to Lord Hardwicke about the strength of the Roman Catholics in York, and he repeated alarmist *canards* about the Roman Catholics at Egton, but in fact these fears were groundless and the Roman Catholics of the diocese of York gave little or no assistance to Prince Charles Edward, though some of them, including five of the priests whose names appear below, suffered imprisonment in the Stuart cause, and at least one layman, Mr. Pierson of Stokesley, had his chapel wrecked by the mob in 1746.

Ten years before this Visitation, in 1733, Archbishop Blackburne, annoyed at the reception of one of his clergy, Mr. Bridges, Vicar of Kippax, into the Roman Catholic communion had resolved, so the Yorkshire Roman Catholics believed, upon a No Popery crusade. The Papal Internuncio at Brussels wrote on 24 July, 1733 to Cardinal Petra to announce to Propaganda that the Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District, Bishop Williams, O.P., was in serious peril and "was actually obliged to fly to the most deserted and remote places, to escape prison and torture, *carceri e tormenti*, as the Pseudo-archbishop of York had issued a mandate for his capture, on account of his having made a conversion (which caused great noise) of a Protestant Minister, who instructed by bishop Williams, nobly resigned his rich prebend, and publicly



declared himself a Catholic.<sup>1</sup> The statement of the Internuncio was much exaggerated. Mr. Bridges held no "rich prebend," merely the vicarage of Kippax the annual value of which in Ecton's *Liber Valorum* (3rd ed. 1728) was £34 16s. 4d. Nor had Bishop Williams, as he assured Sir Edward Gascoigne, anything to do with Mr. Bridges' reception. Sir Edward Gascoigne (see *Aberford*, No. 1 below) was concerned in the affair because Bishop Williams resided on his estate at Huddlestone Hall, and on hearing the reports Sir Edward had at once interviewed the Bishop and sent his statement to his friend Arthur, 6th Lord Irwin of Temple Newsam, who sent it to the Archbishop. The Archbishop had been sufficiently stirred to order a Return of the Papists from the parishes in the diocese and was making some show of being about to enforce the penal laws, even to the extent of summoning Sir Edward Gascoigne to answer a charge of not attending his parish church. But these measures provoked remonstrances from such important Yorkshire peers as Lord Carlisle, Lord Malton, and Lord Irwin, so that his Grace explained rather elaborately in a letter to the last "I desire our freind (*sic*) Sir Edward Gascoigne may be in no pain about my Intention in the Summons he has receiv'd, because I rely on his word that He has had no hand in promoting that greivous (*sic*) offence which the late Vicar of Kippax has given occasion to . . . . . It is not my Intention to break in upon ye tacit Connivance wch ye Roman Catholics by His Majesties great Lenity enjoy, at present, in the private exercise of their Religion. Nor is it my Principle (as by my Conduct it has ever appeared) to be greivous to anyone who behaves quietly and peaceably under ye Establish'd Government, on the account of His Opinions merely Religious." The Archbishop went on to explain that he felt obliged to inquire into the alleged large increase of Roman Catholics, but he concluded, "This is what I desire you, My Good Lord, to communicate to our good freind, Sir Edward Gascoigne, for whom I have a particular esteem, wch he may depend upon himself and is at liberty also to communicate to any Person of Honour who may have been alike desirous to know the true Intention of my Good Ld."

Yr Lps most faithful humble servt

October ye 19th 1733.

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The story in its exaggerated form has found a place in the *Dictionary of National Biography* (xxi, 455, s.v. Williams, Thomas). The true facts are stated by Fr. Raymond Palmer, O.P. in his life of Bishop Williams in *Merry England* (Decr., 1887) No. 56 p. 489. All that happened to the Bishop was that he withdrew from Huddlestone Hall to Mr. Marmaduke Tunstall's at Wycliffe (where his successor made his headquarters) and returned—after some months. No legal proceedings were taken against him. But both in

<sup>1</sup> W. Maziere Brady. *The Episcopal Succession* (Rome, 1877) iii 254.

<sup>2</sup> *Bishopthorpe Mss.* H. 2. 10. where other interesting correspondence about the Roman Catholics in the diocese from 1723 to 1745 is preserved.

1733 and again in 1735 at the annual Visitations of the Archdeacons, the Archbishop was concerned to know the exact number of Roman Catholics in the diocese. The answers to these enquiries as well as the answers to a like enquiry by Archbishop Sharp in 1706 (when a Jacobite rising was feared) exist,<sup>1</sup> and their figures are given in the notes on the parishes below. What exactly the figures represent is not very clear; probably in 1706 they represent householders, in 1733 families, in 1735 persons of over 13 years of age. The various missions fall into two groups: missions on the estate of a Roman Catholic landowner and missions which had a more democratic basis, being supported by a number of less important folk. On these last the hand of the authorities fell most heavily in 1745. The great majority of the missions were those of the aristocratic class, thus the Duke of Norfolk supported at least three, while Lord Fairfax of Gilling, Lord Fauconberg, Lord Langdale, Lady Petre, Sir Edward Gascoigne, Sir Marmaduke Constable, and Sir Walter Vavasour, were each responsible for at least one chapel and priest, and made their influence felt in their several districts. Below them in rank but hardly less important in fact, was the considerable group of squires, headed by Mr. Constable, Lord Paramount of Holderness and including the heads of such families as the Annes, the Crathornes, the Meynells, the Cholmeleys, the Tempests of Broughton, the Plomptons and the Watertons, in Yorkshire alone. They supplied the English colleges and convents in Flanders and elsewhere not only with funds but with loyal and devoted members, as the records now printed show. The severity of the strain upon their resources is made plain by the number of families which ended in the male line at, or soon after, the date of these Returns; the Fairfaxes of Gilling, the Langdales, the Crathornes, the Plomptons, and the Fauconbergs all ceased in the direct male line before 1800 while the Gascoignes are a like instance though they conformed to the English Church before the end.

The facts below show part of the material upon which Prince Charles Edward possibly relied when he unfurled the standard at Glenfinnan in 1745. None of the Yorkshire Roman Catholic noblemen joined him; the policy of toleration which these Returns display had been too successful. So long as they were allowed to practice their religion unmolested, the Roman Catholics of the diocese were, with a very few exceptions, unwilling to jeopardise the security they had won.

An interesting comparison, for which facts are not wanting, could be drawn between the English clergy of these Returns and their Roman Catholic brethren.

The Roman Catholic clergy were a more carefully trained body

<sup>1</sup> *Bishopthorpe Mss.* H. 2. 10.



and as a whole they seem to have been drawn from old and gentle families. More than that, at least one of them, an old Benedictine in Aberford parish, wrote a devotional book *A Pious Monitor of the Divine Presence*, while one of the squires named in the Returns, Mr. Tempest, published in explanation and defence of his position, a *Religio Laici*. The spiritual tone of the English Church at this time was not favourable to such a temper; its clergy as a whole seem more concerned with the refusal of the Quakers to pay tithes or the rise of the Methodists. From such anxieties the Roman Catholic clergy were free. Their records here exhibit them as a body of men who studied to be quiet, and were content to spend long years in the service of small groups of country folk. The Religious usually retired to die at the houses abroad in which they had found their vocation and begun their training, Watten, Lambspring, Dieulouard, Liége, Douay or Bornhem; the secular clergy commonly died at their missions in England. Most of these clergy, secular and Religious, died "full of years," a witness, presumably, to the simplicity and regularity of their lives. If they were not distinguished in literature or in scholarship these Roman Catholic clergy seem to have been strong in their spiritual integrity, they neither caused scandal nor lapsed from their allegiance; very occasionally a priest seems to have gone out of his mind, which, considering the loneliness and other conditions, is not to be wondered at. At their best these priests appear to have been of the type known as "Challoner Catholics," dutiful and reserved; to their critics they appeared, no doubt, like their Anglican brethren, rather slow and unenterprising. In 1743, Roman Catholics were not in evidence in the towns save in York and Hexham; their strength lay in the country districts. That position was to be reversed in the course of the next hundred years.

One fact these Returns make crystal clear: the English clergy were not anxious to call attention to their Roman Catholic brethren. In answer to Archbishop Herring's searching questions, the parochial clergy for the most part preserve a very discreet silence. There are but three exceptions: at Brandsby (i, 82 seq.) and at Broughton-in-Airedale (i, 54) where the incumbents are at odds with their Roman Catholic squires over tithe and the like, and at Allendale (iii, 244 seq.) where the Curate complains that a Steward of the Lead mines is "industrious to disperse popish books." For the rest the clergy in this matter seem usually to have put the telescope to their blind eye, consequently the names of but twelve Roman Catholic "Teachers" are reported to the Archbishop, though in fact there were at least 48 Roman Catholic priests then at work in the diocese. These priests were organized under various divisions. In 1688 England had been divided for Roman Catholics into four Districts, Northern, Midland, London, and Western, each ruled by a Bishop with the title of Vicar Apostolic. The diocese of York

in 1743 included parts of two such Districts: Yorkshire and Hexhamshire were in the Northern, Nottinghamshire was in the Midland District. The Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District in 1743 was Dr. Edward Dicconson (1670-1752), a gentleman of old family in Lancashire, who had held important offices at Douay and had been consecrated Bishop of Malla *in partibus infidelium* by the Bishop of Ghent on 19 March, 1740. His postal direction was to "Wyclif, near Greta Bridge, Yorkshire" where he was known as "Mr. Eaton"<sup>1</sup> and was the guest of Mr. Tunstal, but he lived also on his own estate at Finch Mill near Standish, Lancashire. Dr. Dicconson was over 70 when he was consecrated, but his Ms. Clergy List<sup>2</sup> and his letters to his Yorkshire clergy<sup>3</sup> shew him a careful and able administrator. He has found a place in the *Dictionary of National Biography*.<sup>4</sup> Bishop Dicconson's name does not appear in these Returns. Nor does that of the Vicar Apostolic of the Midland District, Dr. John Talbot Stonor<sup>5</sup> (1678-1756) who, born of the ancient family of Stonor of Stonor in Oxfordshire and having been trained at Douay and graduated at Paris, was consecrated Bishop of Thespieae *in partibus*, apparently at Paris, between July and September 1716.<sup>6</sup> The fact that neither the date or place of this Bishop's consecration nor the name of his consecrator seem to be certainly known illustrates the secrecy with which the affairs of the English Roman Catholics had then to be preserved. Bishop Stonor, an able and devoted man and "an aristocrat of the old school"<sup>7</sup> resided at Stonor Park, Nettlebed, Oxfordshire. These two Bishops were concerned chiefly with the secular clergy, who had been trained, for the most part, at Douay, though among them were priests who came from the English colleges at Rome and Lisbon and Valladolid. The change from Rome to Holderness, and from Valladolid and Lisbon to the moors of the North Riding must have been sharp.

Apart from the secular clergy there were at work in the diocese at this time members of various Religious Orders: Benedictines, Franciscans, Dominicans, Jesuits, and one Carmelite, all of whom had their separate territorial organisations under their respective Superiors, and their own central houses overseas.

The Fathers of the Order of S. Benedict had been divided in England since 1633 into two Provinces of Canterbury and York each under its own Prior-Provincial. The boundaries were

<sup>1</sup> C.R.S. xiii. 161.

<sup>2</sup> Among the Archives of the Archbishop of Liverpool.

<sup>3</sup> Letters of Bp. Dicconson to Rev. Monox Harvey and to the Rev. William Anderson. C.R.S. xiv. 383, 390-2.

<sup>4</sup> D.N.B. v. 916-7. There is a fuller account in W. M. Brady, *Episcopal Succession*, iii, 255 seq.

<sup>5</sup> See C.R.S. xix. 113.

<sup>6</sup> Brady, op. cit. iii. 206.

<sup>7</sup> Burton, *Life and Times of Bishop Challoner*, i. 370.



practically the same as those of the Anglican Provinces in 1743, save that Derbyshire, Lincolnshire and Scotland were included in the Northern. The Order had its monasteries at Douay (1605), Paris (1615), Lamspring in Westphalia (1644) and Dieulouard in Lorraine (1608).

The Franciscans in the diocese were under two Guardianates: that of *S. Thomas the Martyr* which comprised Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Lancashire, and Rutland, and that of *S. Francis with a Cross in his Hand* which had its centre at Newcastle and included Hexhamshire. There seem to have been no Franciscans in Nottinghamshire. The Franciscans of the English Province had their centre abroad at Douay, their only regular House, but several were often resident at Gravelines as chaplains to the Franciscan Sisters there.

The Dominicans were organized throughout England simply as one Province under a Provincial Prior. Archbishop Herring would no doubt have been startled to learn that the Provincial Prior of the English Dominicans in 1743 was living within thirty miles of Bishopthorpe, at Middleton Hall near Leeds. The English Dominicans had their mother house at Bornhem in Flanders, and a college of S. Thomas Aquinas at the University of Louvain.

The Society of Jesus, which had more priests at work in the diocese than the other Religious in 1743, was organized more elaborately. Yorkshire was in its Residence of S. Michael, Nottinghamshire was part of its College of the Immaculate Conception, while Hexhamshire was within its College of S. John the Evangelist. The Jesuits of the English Province had three houses across the Channel viz. Watten in Belgium (for the novitiate), Liège for theology and the higher studies, and Ghent for the students of the third year's probation.

That the separate jurisdictions of the Vicars Apostolic and of the Superiors of the Religious Orders would be sure to overlap and clash is evident; in fact considerable friction between the secular and the regular clergy had arisen in England and the question was in process of being settled at Rome at the time of this Visitation, though the decision did not reach England until 1748. The award was in favour of the Vicars Apostolic. The regulars continued the struggle. Finally in 1753 Benedict XIV "ended the long strife once for all in a terse and statesmanlike decision in favour of the Vicars Apostolic, i.e. the Bishops, and thus the question was set at rest<sup>1</sup>." This grave dissension is not reflected in any notice of the Roman Catholics here, but some of the clergy who are mentioned here were much concerned in it.

<sup>1</sup> For an excellent account of this see Burton, *op. cit.* i, 245-324,

## 2.—List of Priests mentioned in the Returns.

In the Returns the following priests are mentioned by name—

1. **Mr. Brown.** (Halifax, ii, 32 above). The Vicar of Halifax states that this priest came once a month from "Mr. Townley's in Lancashire." Possibly he is the Rev. James Brown who is noted in the *List* of 1741<sup>1</sup> as stationed at Burscough in the Derby Hundred of Lancashire. The chaplains at Towneley in that *List* are first Dr. G. Kendall and later Mr. John Harrison. Another secular priest, also James Brown is noted in that *List* as having been stationed at Crathorne, but he had left by 24 February, 1742 when the Rev. William Anderson succeeded him. See *Crathorne*, No. 18 and *Halifax*, No. 25 in the List of Parishes below.

2. **Mr. Busby.** (Colston Bassett, iv, 28). This is Thomas Busby, S.J., known sometimes as Thomas Roberts, who, born in 1656 entered the Society of Jesus, 1675 and was ordained priest 18 Dec., 1683. From 1701 for many years, with occasional intervals, he was Rector of the College of the Immaculate Conception which had its headquarters at Spink Hill, Derbyshire and Holbeck Hall, Notts. (see *Norton Cuckney* No. 40 below). The College was a small one having at this time only 4 Fathers. Fr. Busby was its Rector again from 1746-1748. He was reckoned an admirable Missioner and Superior. He died at Liège, 25 April, 1750 aged 94. *Foley*, v, 472, 475; vii, 106. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 178*n*.

3. **Mr. Butler.** (Mitton, ii, 175). This was Peter Seel, O.D.C., *al.* Butler, probably a Seel of Liverpool, his mother being one of the Butlers of Rawcliffe. He was born in 1705 and in due course joined the Order of the Discalced Carmelites, his name in religion being Fr. Peter Mary of Saint Theresa. From 1740 to 1752 Fr. Seel was chaplain at Stonyhurst in the service of the Duchess Dowager of Norfolk. See Dr. B. Zimmerman, *Carmel in England* (Lond. 1899) where "Rawcliffe" is spelt "Ratcliffe.")

4. **Peter Davis.** (Broughton, i, 54). Peter Davis, S.J., entered the Society in 1711, and served in Yorkshire, then in Maryland, then in Hampshire, and in 1740 was in Yorkshire again. He died at the house of his Order at Watten in 1759 aged 67. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 171*n*. and *Foley*, vii, 197.

5. **Mr. Hutchinson.** (Spofforth, iii, 41). Dom Anthony Cuthbert Hutchinson, O.S.B. was born in Yorkshire and professed at S. Gregory's, Douay 21 Sept., 1723. Having had charge of a school at Redmarley, Glos., 1733, he was transferred to the Northern Province and was chaplain at Plompton Hall 1740-1745, and then at Middleton Lodge (Ilkley) 1745-1759. He died at Aberford 2 July, 1760. *Birt*, p. 102.

<sup>1</sup> The Ms. Clergy List of the priests working in the Northern District drawn up by Bishop Dicconson in 1741, now preserved in the Archives of the Archdiocese of Liverpool.



6. **Mr. Liddle.** (Egton Chapel, i, 186). Thomas Liddell educated at the English College at Lisbon was probably the son of William Liddell of Wycliffe, gent. Ordained priest at Lisbon 21 Jan., 1742, he was sent to the English Mission 16 Jan., 1743, and stationed at Egton, with the Rev. Monox Hervey *al.* John Rivett, for whom see below. Here his Jacobite activities caused trouble with the Government and in November, 1745 he was removed by the Vicar Apostolic. The college at Lisbon seems to have been enthusiastically Jacobite, for another Lisbonian in the diocese, the Rev. Martin Hounshell, chaplain at Roundhay, a contemporary and no doubt a friend of Mr. Liddell was arrested on 18 November, 1745 (see *Barwick in Elmet*, No. 5 below). Mr. Liddell died at Liverpool 12 May, 1775.

7. **Mr. Henry Mayor.** (Bishop Thornton Chapel, iii, 233, 4. Middlesmoor Chapel, iii, 236). This priest, who is twice named, was the Rev. Henry Maire (1714-1775) a member of the old family whose seat was at Hartbushes, co. Durham. Their pedigree is in *Foley*, v, 654. Three of his brothers were priests, William, a secular who was Bishop Dicconson's Vicar General and was consecrated Bishop of Cinna *in partibus*, 1767, and Peter and Christopher both Jesuits. Fr. Peter Maire is mentioned below. Henry Maire entered Douay in 1726, was ordained priest there 29 May, 1738 and came to assist the Rev. James Skelton at Raventofts. Later he moved to Cliff-on-Tees where he died 5 Nov., 1775 aged 61. Both Mr. Maire and Mr. Skelton had on 20 Feb., 1745 "been sometime in Ripon Gaol, they were committed upon suspicion of holding correspondence with the King's enemys & being papist Priests." Letter to Abp. Herring. *Bishopthorpe Mss.*, H.2, 10. *Foley*, v, 656. *C.R.S.*, iv, 249; xiii, 233; xxviii, 130*n* etc.

8. **Mr. Mayer** (Newton-on-Ouse, ii, 199). The priest referred to is, apparently, the Rev. Peter Maire, S.J., an elder brother of the Rev. Henry Maire above, born in 1707, entered the Society in 1726 and who was, in 1741, chaplain to the Mores at Barnbow, and then "to Mrs. More at York." This was probably the widow of Thomas More, Esq., who had died in 1739. The priest responsible for this mission (at Linton), the Rev. Thomas Daniel was moved in 1742 to York, and served Linton from there. It would seem, from this Return, that Mr. Daniel was helped by other priests in York and that Fr. Maire occasionally undertook the duty at this time. Fr. Maire became later chaplain at the Bar convent, York and was drowned while bathing in the Ouse 29 June, 1763 aged 63 (according to J. S. Hansom but according to *Foley*, 56), Fr. Peter Maire was Superior of the District at the time of his death. *Foley*, v. 655, 6, 702 *C.R.S.* iv, 376. Bp. Dicconson's *Ms. List*.

9. **Mr. Meynhill** (Crofton, i, 127). James Meynell, born in Yorkshire 4 May 1689, was possibly a member of the ancient family of Meynell of North Kilvington, though his name does not

appear in their pedigree in *Foley* v, 722. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1708, and having for many years served the mission at Pontefract died there 16 Dec., 1746 aged 57. *Foley* v, 723, vii, 504. *C.R.S.* xiii, 185*n*.

10. **Mr. John Rivett** (Lofthouse, ii, 155, Lythe, ii, 157). This is the most interesting priest on this list. He was the Rev. Monox Hervey (who for safety took occasionally the name of "John Rivett" or "John Moxon") son of Henry Hervey, of Stoke Ash, Suffolk, gent. and Margaret Rivett his wife, born in 1699; about 1713 the boy became a Roman Catholic. He went first to the English college at Lisbon, and in 1724 was admitted to the English college at Rome. There he was ordained priest on 18 Septr., 1728 by Pope Benedict XIII himself. After working in the Midland District and in London he came to Ugthorpe in Cleveland on 25 May, 1734, and about the end of 1737 he began a school there for the sons of gentlemen. He had ten boys under his care when he was arrested on 11 December, 1745 and conveyed to York Castle. Probably the Jacobite activities of his younger colleague Thomas Liddell (No. 6 above) had stirred the authorities. Mr. Hervey remained a prisoner in York Castle until 2 June, 1747, a period of eighteen months, when he was discharged on his promise to leave Yorkshire. His treatment by the Roman Catholics of Egton when he was endeavouring to seek shelter and avoid arrest inspired him to write "From the Moors in Yorkshire, Good Lord deliver us—Amen." His interesting Register gives a vivid picture of the life of a zealous Roman Catholic missionary in Yorkshire at this period. Mr. Hervey died in London 22 Decr., 1756 aged 57. For Mr. Hervey's pedigree, Life and Register see *C.R.S.* xiv, 313-396.

11. **Mr. Smith** (Coxwold, i, 142). Thomas Smith, a secular priest, born 30 July, 1674 in the dio. of Chester, took the college oath at Douay 8 Septr., 1696, and was sent to England 7 March, 1700. In the *List* of 1741 his is the third name on the list of secular clergy so that he was evidently an old man. He was then chaplain at Oulston with Lady Fauconberg i.e., Catherine, wife of Thomas, then Viscount but in 1756 created Earl, Fauconberg. Lord Fauconberg conformed in 1756 to the English Church, but the ladies of the family did not. Mr. Smith is described sometimes as of Angram; which like Oulston is a hamlet of Coxwold. Monox Hervey in his Register (*C.R.S.* xiv, 341) says "Mr. Thomas Smith was banished" but the incident is not explained. Certainly he died at Oulston, 2 Nov., 1755, being aged 81. *C.R.S.*, xii, 8, xiv, 326, 327, xxviii, 15, 19.

12. **Mr. William Tempest** (Carlton-juxta-Snaith, i, 139). William Tempest (called evidently by a slip in the 1741 *List* "Thomas") born in London, November 1683, was trained at Douay and went to England as a priest June, 1711. He returned to



Douay for a short time as Prefect of Studies in 1718. He was chaplain at Carlton-juxta-Snaith in 1741 and probably for many years before. He was elected a member of the Chapter in 1748 and died at Carlton 24 Oct., 1766 aged 83. *C.R.S.*, xii, 10, xxviii, 23, 53, 55, etc.

### 3.—Notes on the Parishes.

More or less considerable groups of Roman Catholics existed in the following parishes, as the Returns usually disclose. But in the great majority of cases considerable reticence is displayed by the incumbents in calling attention to their Roman Catholic parishioners, and especially to the presence of chaplains.

1. **Aberford** (i, 9). The vicar reports 12 Papist families but passes over the question about unlicensed Meeting Houses rather hurriedly to complain of "Mr. Ingham the Methodist." In fact in this parish were two Roman Catholic centres: Parlinton, the seat of Sir Edward Gascoigne, 6th Baronet, who had succeeded his father in 1723 as head of a family that had been staunchly Recusant. He died at Cambrai, 24 May, 1750. Parlinton was the Benedictine centre of the Northern Province and two of the Fathers were resident here viz., Dom Edward Dunstan Rogers, O.S.B. professed in 1714 who came here from Hazlewood in 1731. He was Procurator of the Province 1733-1746 and a Definitor of the Province and Cathedral Prior of Norwich 1745-6. He died at Parlinton 27 May, 1746. With him as a colleague was Dom Robert Paul Gilmore, O.S.B. professed at Lambspring 27 June, 1685 and a little later stationed at Parlinton where he died, after nearly 63 years in the Order, 20 Feb., 1748. He was the author of *A Pious Monitor of the Divine Presence*. The 1741 *List* notes that Dom Rogers was "Sr. Edwards" and Dom. Gilmore "ditto, the Toun"—which appears to mean that the one was the domestic chaplain and the other served the parish.

Besides Parlinton there was also in the parish Stourton Lodge the seat of Lord Stourton, the head of another old Roman Catholic family. It does not appear to have had a chaplain in 1743, though it became later a Dominican mission. For the Benedictines see *Birt* pp. 96, 97, 353. The numbers of Roman Catholics reported here were in 1706, 17, in 1733, 12, in 1735, 49.

2. **Aldborough juxta Boroughbridge** (i, 222). There is no Return from this parish, but there was a mission here, supported by the Meynell family until the death of the last squire, George Meynell, in January 1748. The chaplain from 1736 to 1749 was the Rev. Edward Matthews a secular priest, trained at the English College, Rome. *Gillow*, v, 1, 2, and the 1741 *List*.

3. **Aldfield with Studley** (iii, 231). Here were three Papist families and "a Popish Meeting" every first Sunday in the month,

which implies a domestic chapel. This was an out-station of the mission at Raventofts served by two secular clergy, the Revs. James Skelton and Henry Maire. See *Bishop Thornton Chapel*, No. 5 below. There were according to the Returns 5 Roman Catholics here in 1706, and 6 in 1735.

4. **Allendale** (iii, 244). Here were six Papist families, and the curate complains of the activities of a Roman Catholic Steward of the Lead Works who has dispersed Popish books and "introduced some Papists into the Works." There are no returns for 1706 and 1733; in 1735 the number given is 5.

5. **Barwick in Elmet** (i, 44). The rector reports about 20 Roman Catholic "familes" here and is inform'd that Mass is perform'd every Sunday in the Duke of Norfolk's House at Roundhay. The chaplain (whose name the rector does not give) was a young secular priest, the Rev. Martin Hounshell, trained at the English College at Lisbon and ordained priest there on 27 March, 1742. He was a contemporary at Lisbon and no doubt a friend of the Rev. Thomas Liddell (No. 6 in the List of Priests above) whose Jacobite sympathies he evidently shared for he was arrested and taken to York Castle on 18 Nov., 1745 and imprisoned there until 21 Dec., 1746. Upon his release he went to Arundel and later to Lisbon. He died in London 9 August, 1783 aged 65. *C.R.S.* xiv, 340*n*.

Barnborough or Barnbow Hall, the seat of the Mores, the direct descendants of Sir Thomas More, was in this parish. The chaplain there in 1741 was the Rev. Peter Maire, S.J. Thomas More the last male of the family to marry had died, 28 August, 1739; both his sons were Jesuit priests. His widow seems to have removed to York and the property passed to Sir Edward Gascoigne of Parlington. She died 4 Decr., 1767. For the pedigree see *Foley* v, 702. The numbers returned are 1733, 17; 1735, 22.

6. **Bishop Thornton Chapel** (iii, 233). Here was a large group of 23 out of the 54 families with its centre at Raventofts where Mass was "understood to be performed" once a fortnight. In 1715 Raventofts was the property of William Ingilby, Gent. a Roman Catholic Nonjuror. Markington, a Hall in this parish, is given as the station of the Rev. James Skelton who was the senior of the two priests serving this mission, in the 1741 *List*, while the station of the Rev. Henry Maire, his colleague, is given as Raventofts. Both were seculars; the Rev. James Skelton trained at the English College at Lisbon, who died at Raventofts 28 March 1760, and the Rev. Henry Maire (1714-1775) trained at Douay who left this mission for Cliff-on-Tees after Mr. Skelton's death. For him see No. 7 in the List of Priests above. Both Mr. Skelton and Mr. Maire had by the end of February 1745 been "some time in Ripon Gaol upon suspicion of corresponding with" Prince Charles Edward "and being papist Priests." (*Bishopthorpe Mss.*, H. 2, 10). In 1822



Raventofts Hall is described as a farm house. *C.R.S.*, iv, 249, xii, 10, xiii, 233, *Cosin Roman Catholics, etc.*, 1715, p. 137. The numbers returned are 1706, 70; 1735, 44.

7. **Blythe** (iv, 21). The chapel here was undoubtedly at Hodsock Park in the S.W. of this parish, which was the residence of the Shuttleworth family who were Roman Catholics. John, son of George Shuttleworth, of Hodsock Park, Notts. entered Douay on 22 May, 1726, George, a younger brother entered there on 28 May, 1732 aged 11. After his ordination in 1744 George Shuttleworth returned to England and lived at Hodsock till his death in May 1791. *C.R.S.*, xxviii, 129, 130, 163. The Returns give 1706, 15 in 1735; "9 families."

8. **Bolsterstone Chapel** (i, 75). The Return is, perhaps charitably, vague. The district was remote, in the extreme S.W. of Yorkshire where it touches Derbyshire. The communicants came from such long distances that a benefaction was left for their refreshment. Fr. James Pole (or Poole), S.J. was the missionary here at least until 1739 and possibly later, for he died in this, the Derbyshire District in 1760. Fr. Brooks S.J. was Missioner and Chaplain at Mr. Blakehurst's (?Blackburn's) at Boulsterstone near Sheffield in 1724 and was Rector of the District in 1728. He died at St. Omer in 1751 aged 81. *Foley* v, 708, vii, 90, 612. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 178. The numbers given are 1733, 13; 1735, 12.

9. **Bradfield Chapel** (i, 73). This group of about 10 Roman Catholic families was in the same district as the last and was almost certainly ministered to by the same priest. For the Revells of Stannington Grange, in whose house Mass was said, see a note in Hunter's *South Yorkshire*, ii, 180.

Anne Revell daughter of Mr. Richard Revell of Stannington was clothed as a Novice among the English Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre at Liège on 14 June, 1694 and was professed on 15 June, 1695. Her name occurs frequently among the records of the Order until her death 29th January, 1749. She was the sister or aunt of the squire mentioned in the Return. *C.R.S.* xvii, 12, 89, etc. The numbers given are 1706, 12; 1733, 11; 1735, 17.

10. **Brandsby** (i, 82). Ten out of the thirty-four families here were Roman Catholics but the curate-in-charge states clearly that there was "no Meeting-House of any sort" in the parish. He wrote no doubt from accurate information for at the time of this Visitation the post of missionary seems to have been vacant. The Cholmeleys of Brandsby Hall were Roman Catholics and had a chaplain resident in their house. The Rev. Henry Kennet, a secular priest, trained at Douay, left there in 1691 and was chaplain at Brandsby for 50 years, till he died a few months before this Visitation began, on 6 February, 1742. He seems not to have been permanently

replaced till Fr. Philip Rogers S.J. came here as chaplain between 1745 and 1747.

Both the curate-in-charge and the rector seem, from the Return, to have been aggrieved that the rectory house, let to the squire, had been sub-let to a Roman Catholic tenant. The rector assures the Archbishop that "there is not a Clergyman in the Kingdom more averse to Popery than myself." Presumably during this vacancy the Roman Catholics here were served from the missions at Gilling, Oulston, or Easingwold, all of which were within a few miles. The numbers given are, in 1706, 74; 1733, 57; 1735, 46.

11. **Broughton-in-Airedale** (i, 54). This was an old Roman Catholic mission, for the branch of the family of Tempest who were squires here had not conformed. The chapel which the vicar verily believed that the "Romans" frequented on Sundays and Holy Days, "if not at other Times" was, undoubtedly, in the Hall. The squire at this time, Mr. Stephen Tempest (1689-1771) with whom the new and young vicar was so angry about details of tithe, and who, he complains "has the Parish at his Nod" seems in fact to have been a man of unusual charm and education: he wrote a book *Religio Laici*. The mission was a Jesuit one, served by Fr. Peter Davis, S.J. for whom see No. 4 in the List of Priests above. For a pedigree of the Tempest family see *Foley* v, 720 and for the squire see *Gillow*, v, 539 with the references there. The numbers given are in 1706, 37; 1733, 2; 1735, 8.

12. **Bubwith** (i, 100). Here, out of 149 families, 6 were "Romans or Papists" but "no Meetg. house nor any Dissentg. preacher or Papish Priest." This small group of Roman Catholics would be dependent on the branch of the Vavasour family at Spaldington in this parish. There was a mission at Willitofts, in this parish which was served in or about 1753 by the chaplain at Holme-on-Spalding Moor. See No. 28 below. The numbers given are in 1706, 47; 1735, 21.

13. **Burghwallis** (i, 64). The rector reports with evident reluctance his belief that there was here "a private Meeting of ye Roman Catholics" and hastens to add "but they are very peaceable." His predecessor had been of a fiercer temper and had resigned the benefice in 1732, because, to judge by his entry in the Parish Registers, of his strong antipathy to his Roman Catholic parishioners. Burghwallis Hall was (and is) the seat of the ancient family of Anne who were devoted Recusants and had suffered in that cause. It was a Jesuit mission, the chaplain in 1743 being John Messenger, S.J., 3rd son of John Messenger of Fountains Abbey, Esq. Born in 1688 Fr. Messenger entered the Society of Jesus in 1708 and after many years at Burghwallis died there 4 June, 1752 aged 64, Hunter, *South Yorkshire*, ii, 485, 6. *Foley*, v, 721, vii, 502. C.R.S. xiii, 185. The numbers given are in 1706, 12; 1733, 8; 1735, 7.



14. **Carlton-juxta-Snaith** (i, 139). This was a considerable Roman Catholic community. Out of 80 families, 11 were Roman Catholic and 9 "part Protestant and part Roman Catholick." The squire, Mr. Nicholas Stapleton (of Ponteland, Northumberland as well as of Carlton Towers), a member of an old Roman Catholic family, had succeeded his father in 1715, and died in 1750. His eldest son claimed the Barony of Beaumont, unsuccessfully, in 1789, his great-grandson however succeeded in the claim and was summoned to Parliament as 8th Baron Beaumont in 1840. For the chaplain, the Rev. William Tempest (1683-1766) see No. 12 in the List of Priests above. No numbers are given in any of the three sets of returns.

15. **Clifton** (iv, 27). Clifton Hall, the seat of the Clifton family, near Nottingham was one of the old chaplaincies of the Derbyshire District of the Society of Jesus. Sir Gervase Clifton sent his son William in 1718 and his son George in 1720 to be educated at Douay. Fr. Edward Scarisbrick (*al* Neville), S.J. who entered the Society in 1682, was chaplain here in 1700 and later. He died in the London District in 1735 aged 72. *Foley*, v, 479, vii, 687. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 174, 188, xxviii, 53). The numbers given in 1706 are 32; 1733, 10.

16. **Colston Bassett** (iv, 28). Sir Edward Golding, 3rd and last Bart., was grandson of Edward Golding, Esq. of this place who had been created a Baronet by Charles I, 27 Sept., 1642. The family were devoted Roman Catholics, the first Baronet retiring from the world to become a Capuchin friar at Rouen. He was succeeded by his second son Charles, the eldest son John, having become, like his father, a Capuchin. Sir Charles dying in 1667 was succeeded by his son mentioned in this Return. Sir Edward was buried 8 Decr., 1715 leaving no male heir. His daughter Magdalen married Anthony Barlow, of Barlow House, Lancs. Esq. and a daughter of theirs, Elizabeth was professed among the English Poor Clares at Gravelines as Sister Frances Clare on 1 January, 1741. The Barlow family came to an end in 1773. The estate at this time seems to have belonged to Lord Strafford: the first Sir Edward had bought it originally from Sir Thomas Kitson whose steward he had been.

Spink Hill was one of the oldest Jesuit missions. It was in Derbyshire, some seven miles N.E. of Chesterfield and S.E. of Sheffield. The Hall there was the property of the Pole (or Poole) family who were staunch Recusants.

For Fr. Thomas Busby, S.J. (1656-1750), see No. 2 in the List of Priests above. He must have been a man of remarkable vigour, since he was 88 at this time and he was re-elected Rector of the District in 1746. *C.R.S.*, iv, 218, xiv, 148. Cockayne. *Complete Baronetage*, ii, 201. The numbers given in 1706 are 62; 1733, 21.

17. **Coxwold** (i, 142). The eight Roman Catholic families here, served by the chapel and priest at Oulston, a hamlet in Coxwold parish, would be dependents of the Fauconberg family whose seat was at Newburgh. Thomas, 4th Viscount Fauconberg (1699-1774) who was by birth and training a Roman Catholic, conformed later in this reign to the English Church, and was created Earl Fauconberg in 1756, his wife however, and the other ladies of the Belasyse family remained Roman Catholics. The chaplain at Oulston, the Rev. Thomas Smith (1674-1755) for whom see No. 11 in the List of Priests above, is expressly described in the 1741 *List* as "wth. La[dy] Falc[onberg]." This mission is sometimes described as being at Angram Grange, also in this parish: probably because the missionary had for purposes of safety to change his residence occasionally. The numbers given are 1706, 38; 1733, 101; 1735, 96.

18. **Crathorne** (i, 145). Here out of 49 families, 22 were "Reputed Papists" and met for worship "to the number of seventy or upward" at a farmer's house on Sundays and holy days, and had "a priest of their own Perswasion." Crathorne was the seat of the ancient family of Crathorne of Crathorne and Ness (see *Hovingham*, No. 29 below); their pedigree is in Graves' *Cleveland* (1806) p. 103 and Ord's *Cleveland* (1846) pp. 490, 491. The squire in 1743 was Mr. Ralph Crathorne, whose brother, Thomas, was a Benedictine, and his sister Mary a nun at Louvain. He died 17 April 1755. The family became extinct in 1844 and is represented now by the Annes of Burghwallis (see No. 13 above). The chaplain to the mission from 24 Febr., 1742 was the Rev. William (later Sir William) Anderson who had been trained at the English College at Valladolid. He was a sufferer in the '45, for on 26 Decr., 1745 he was arrested and imprisoned in York Castle till 2 June, 1747. In the informations laid against him there are vivid details of the services at which he officiated: he was accustomed to say Mass, on occasion, wearing simply a surplice and stole, not the full suit of Eucharistic vestments. Mr. Anderson, later, assumed the style of the baronetcy of Anderson of Penley. He died suddenly in the street in London, 28 August, 1759. *C.R.S.* xii, 9, xiv, 374*n*, 387-392. The numbers given in 1706 are 66; 1733, 25; 1735, 62.

19. **Easingwold** (i, 183). This would seem to have been a more important centre than the Return suggests, when it reports but 3 Papist families though there was a "Meeting-house." The expression suggests a more or less public chapel such as existed at this time at Hexham and at Linton (Newton-on-Ouse), and certainly at Stokesley. The manor house at Easingwold was the property of Thomas Salvin Esq., of an old Recusant family which represented in direct descent the mediaeval Lords de Mauley and Mr. Salvin certainly had a Roman Catholic chaplain at some period between



1741 and 1750 for the 1741 *List* records that the Franciscan Fr. Yates had come to him from Burton Constable. The same *List* gives a Benedictine, Dom William Hardesty, O.S.B. as stationed at Easingwold and this is confirmed by the Benedictine *Obit Book* which states that Dom Hardesty was at Easingwold 1743-54, though as it says, there is evidence that he served Everingham in 1751. From the Returns of parishes with Roman Catholic missions which lay along the North Road e.g., Kilvington, and here, it looks as if the rumour of this Visitation had caused the Vicar Apostolic to withdraw the missionaries for the time, lest inquiries should be prosecuted.

Dom William Laurence Hardesty O.S.B. (1714-1787) was professed at Lambspring 1732 and ordained 1738. He died at Lamb-spring 18 Feb., 1787. Mr. Thomas Salvin, the Roman Catholic squire born 1703, succeeded his father, William, 1726 and died 1756. *C.R.S.* vii, 263, *Birt*, p. 115. Gill, *Vallis Eboracensis*. (1852), pp., 95, 96. The numbers given in 1706 are 2; 1733, 20; 1735, 12.

20. **Egton Chapel** (i, 186). Here was one of the centres of a large Roman Catholic district. The curate reckons that 28 out of the 144 families in Egton were Roman Catholics, numbering some 60 attendants at their "private meeting house." The mission district embraced a large part of East Cleveland, and one of the two priests who served it lived at Ugthorpe in the parish of Lythe (see No. 36 below). There was apparently no family able to support a chaplain, though the Salvins of Newbiggin (see Easingwold, No. 19 above) had a house and land here and the Smiths of Egton Bridge "were comfortably off." According to the vicar of Whitby in a letter of Jan. 1736 the Mass-Room "was in the house of Mr. Smith, and the Roman Catholics had a particular part of the church-yard at Egton assigned for them for ye Interment of their dead." There was a number of Roman Catholic yeomen and tradesmen in the district who presumably subscribed to support the two priests at work here at this time. They were respectively, the Rev. Monox Hervey, known as "John Rivett" (see No. 10 in the List of Priests above) who lived at Ugthorpe, and the Rev. Thomas Liddell (see No. 6 in the same List) who resided at Egton, coming there in 1743. He was removed in 1745 by the Vicar Apostolic on account, apparently, of his Jacobite activities for which Mr. Hervey, his senior colleague had to suffer. Mr. Hervey in his Register denounces sternly the Roman Catholics of Egton Bridge because when he and his colleague the Rev. Luke Potts fled to Egton from Ugthorpe in December 1745, to avoid arrest, the Roman Catholics there refused them shelter, consequently "after playing hide and seek" i.e. wandering about the moors till they were exhausted, they were forced to return to Ugthorpe where they were taken.

The mission at Egton and Ugthorpe is an old one; the saintly Nicholas Postgate, who was at the age of 79 executed at York in 1679 for no other crime than exercising his functions as a Roman Catholic priest, was one of the priests who had served it, and a very simple and touching hymn written by him when he was imprisoned in York Castle, beginning

"O gracious God, O Saviour sweet,  
O Jesus, think of me."

was used in 1879 (when Foley wrote) and is probably used still, in the wild moorlands in which this mission was placed.

For a first rate account of this mission by Mr. J. S. Hansom, see *C.R.S.* xiv, 313 seq. For the Ven. Nicholas Postgate and the complete text of his hymn see *Foley*, v, 757-761. It is strange that the hymn has not been included in modern collections for it is an aspiration of simple Christian devotion. The numbers given are in 1706, 256; 1733, 144; 1735, 135.

21. **Everingham** (i, 189). Here was a strong Roman Catholic centre, though the rector in making his Return, uses a severe economy about it. He had been rector thirty-five years and must have been well aware that there was a chapel in the Hall and that until June of this year, 1743, there was a resident Roman Catholic chaplain. But he had evidently no wish to stir up controversy. The rector writes that out of "about 27" families there are "about six that are Dissenters, who are Roman Catholicks," and he adds that there is no Meeting-House in the parish. In Everingham was the seat of the ancient family of Constable of Flamborough, who had obtained it by a marriage with the heiress of the Sotthills in the 16th century. The branch which owned Everingham seem to have been Recusants from early in the reign of James I, and in subsequent persecutions suffered for their faith. Mr. Hansom conjectures that there was a chapel here regularly served by a priest from 1612. The squire in 1743 was Sir Marmaduke Constable, 4th Bart. who died, unmarried, abroad in July 1746 aged 64 when the estates came to his great-nephew William, 2nd son of Sir Carnaby Haggerston, Bart. who married in 1758, Lady Winifrede Maxwell, grand-daughter and heiress of the 5th Earl of Nithsdale and 9th Baron Herries who escaped from the Tower of London after the Rising of 1715.

The chaplain of this mission from 1717 till his death 21 June, 1743 was Dom John Bede Potts, O.S.B. (1674-1743) a member of a well-connected Northumberland family, who had been professed at Lambspring 21 May 1691, and had come to the English Mission in 1701. From the extracts from his correspondence with Sir Marmaduke Constable it is possible to reconstruct the life lived by a Roman Catholic missionary at this time. Dom Potts was appointed a Definitor of the (Benedictine) Province in 1721 and was made Prior of Durham in 1733. The numbers given are in



1706, 13; 1733, 21; 1735, 24. *C.R.S.*, vii, 257 *seq.* *Birt.*, p. 94, etc. *East Riding Antiq. Soc. Transactions*, viii, 51 *seq.* R. C. Wilton. *Dublin Review*, Octr., 1917 and July, 1929.

22. **Ferry Fryston** (i, 198). Probably the little group of 5 Roman Catholic families here had a private chapel: the vicar states rather guardedly that there is no Meeting house of any kind that he knows of. But Sutton, close to Ferrybridge was a property of the Isles family who were Roman Catholics and they must have had a chapel since the Superior of the Jesuit District was resident there in 1741 "at Mrs. Eyles" according to Bishop Dicconson's *List*. This was Fr. Ambrose Jackson *al.* Eyles, S.J. He died at Sutton, 21 April, 1746. For him see *Pontefract*, No. 44 below. The numbers given are, 1706, 15; 1733, 6; 1735, 7.

23. **Frickley** (i, 196). This was original seat of the Annes of Burghwallis, who had succeeded to the latter estate in the sixteenth century through marriage with the heiress of the Fentons. Bishop Dicconson's *List* mentions "Mr. Knight; of Frickley" as a Jesuit chaplaincy; a Knight of the Lincolnshire family of that name having married an Anne. The curate writes discreetly that out of 55 families there are "some yt. are Papists;" but asserts that there is no Licens'd or other Meeting House in the parish. In fact it was a Jesuit mission and had been served from about 1725 by Fr. John Jones, senr., S.J., who was born 25th March, 1683 entered the Society in 1709 and died at Frickley 16 May, 1748 aged 65. *Foley*, v, 722, vii, 407. *C.R.S.*, iv, 260 *seq.*, xiii, 169*n.* The numbers are in 1733, 9; 1735, 35.

24. **Gilling** (ii, 221). The rector here makes no Return. Gilling Castle, the seat of the Lords Fairfax of Emley was a Benedictine mission. The chaplain, 1743 to 1750, was Dom William Maurus Westbrooke, O.S.B., professed at Lambspring in 1726 and Prior there 1736-1739. He was in 1740 at Wyton in Holderness (see *Swine* No. 58 below) before coming to Gilling. Later he worked in Suffolk and Norfolk, held various posts of importance in his Order and died at Lambspring 10 July, 1774. The owner of Gilling Castle at this time was Charles Gregory, 9th and last Viscount Fairfax of Emley whose daughters had been educated at the English Benedictine convent at Cambrai. He died at Gilling 1772. *Birt*, p. 109. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 61. The senior branch of the Fairfaxes of Gilling died out in 1793. Gilling Castle has again become a Benedictine centre through its purchase in 1929 by the Community at Ampleforth. The numbers given are in 1706, 48; 1723, 27; 1735, 48.

25. **Halifax** (ii, 31). This small group of ten meeting at George Addison, a plaisterer's house, were evidently humble folk. "Mr. Brown from Mr. Townley's in Lancashire" is not easy to identify, see No. 1 in the List of Priests above. The owner of Towneley at this time was a child Charles Towneley (1737-1805),

later the famous collector. No priest of this name appears as a chaplain at Towneley in the 1741 *List*. George Addison was received into the Roman Catholic communion on 2 July, 1732, apparently by Fr. Worthington O.P. (see *Rothwell*, No. 46 below). *Payne*, p. 56. A note in *C.R.S.*, iv, 409 states that "there was no Catholic Mission in Halifax until 1827." The number given is in 1706, 4; there are no later returns.

26. **Halsham** (ii, 85). Here 8 of the 28 families held "Communion with the Church of Rome." Halsham had been the original seat of the Constables of Burton Constable; it is still their burying place. The congregation here would be served by the chaplain at Burton Constable or by the missions close by at Marton (see *Swine* No. 58 below) or at Nuthill (see *Skeckling* No. 54 below). The rector's tribute to the Roman Catholic squire, Mr. Cuthbert Constable, as "a right worthy Gentleman" is interesting and rather courageous. The numbers given are in 1706, 8; in 1733, 8; in 1735, 28.

27. **Hexham** (iii, 248). Here is one of the two parishes in these Returns in which two chapels are reported, the other being Swine in Holderness. Hexham was probably the strongest Roman Catholic centre in the diocese, with the possible exception of York. Here as early as 1678 had been founded a Franciscan "Residence" of S. Anthony of Padua, endowed by Mr. Bonomi Carr: its Praeses 1737-1743 was Fr. Lawrence Robinson, O.S.F., and from 1743-1746 Fr. Bernard Yates, O.S.F., but the title had become honorific, for "there were no Franciscans living or serving in Hexham after 1725."

There were however two other missions, each with its own chapel. (1) The Dominicans had long been working in the district. Their chapel built about 1720 was on Battle Hill until replaced by one in Hencoates about 1796. The chaplain from 1721 to 1754 was the Rev. Peter Antoninus Thompson O.P. who had previously been chaplain at Stonecroft, 4 miles west of Hexham since 1714 and served that mission with Hexham until 1734. Fr. Thompson left Hexham in 1754 to become Rector of the Dominican college at Louvain where he died 7 November, 1760 aged "80 and upwards."

(2) There was also a mission served by the secular clergy, the chapel of which was at Cockshaw, the low-lying part of the town. This was served from 1740 till his death 26 Sept., 1753 by the Rev. William Chantrill, son of Darcy Chantrill, gent., who, born 1708, entered the English College at Rome 1724 and was ordained in 1731. The two missions were amalgamated into one, served by the secular clergy in 1827 and a new church, S. Mary's was opened in 1830. The Dominican church in Hencoates became the presbytery, and the church of the secular clergy was sold.



The story of the various missions, secular, Franciscan and Dominican at Hexham and Stonecroft is told fully in *C.R.S.*, xxvi, 131-257.

Besides the two chapels with their resident priests in Hexham there were in the immediate neighbourhood various Roman Catholic families who had resident chaplains, as the Erringtons at Beaufront (see *Lee, St. John* No. 34 below) the Riddels at Swinburne, and the Charltons at Hesleyside.

Bishop Dicconson in his *List* of 1741, records among the clergy at Hexham, as well as the two priests mentioned above, a Benedictine "Mr. John Charleton at his mother's at Hexham." This was Dom John Charlton, O.S.B., born 1717, professed at Douay 1736 and "sent on the English Mission in North Province." He was later chaplain at Plompton 1745-1762 and died at Douay 1786 (*Birt.* p. 115). The chaplain at Hesleyside, the home of the Charlton family was apparently, from 1741 to 1747 the Rev. John Donohough. (*C.R.S.*, ii, 355). There are no returns for 1706 or 1733, the number in 1735 is 81.

**28. Holme-on-Spalding Moor** (ii, 72). The curate-in-charge here answers simply "No" to the question about a Meeting House and a teacher, but in fact here was a Roman Catholic mission with its chapel in the Hall. The estate for rather over a century had belonged to the Langdale family who were Recusants, the owner in 1743 being Marmaduke, 4th Baron Langdale who succeeded his father in 1718 and died in 1771. The chaplain here, as in some other missions changed in 1743; from c. 1732 to 1743 the post had been held by the eminent spiritual writer Fr. Arthur Pacificus Baker, O.S.F. who was Superior of his Order in this Guardianate; he was succeeded by Dom John Fisher, O.S.B. (1710-1793) who remained here till he retired to Dieulouard in 1788. Dom Fisher, who had been professed at Dieulouard held various offices of importance in the Order while he was at Holme, becoming President-General from 1772 to 1777 and Cathedral Prior of Canterbury in 1773. He died at Dieulouard 27 January, 1793.

For the story of this mission, and its Registers from 1744-1840, see *C.R.S.*, iv, 272 seq. For Dom Fisher, *Birt*, p. 117 etc. The numbers given are in 1706, 16; 1733, 20; 1735, 25.

**29. Hovingham** (ii, 57). The curate returns 11 of the 160 families as Roman Catholics; he is silent about any chapel or teacher. This group centred round the seat of the Crathornes of Crathorne at Ness, a hamlet in this parish, where there was certainly a chapel since there was a resident chaplain Fr. John Vincent Teesdale, O.P. who held the post 1733-1750. Fr. Teesdale ("John Teasdale" in the 1741 *List*), born 1703, was educated at the Dominican house at Bornhem and after serving this mission for

seventeen years became Prior at Bornhem where he died on 5 January, 1790 aged 88. While at Hovingham he asked to be excused attendance at the Chapters of his Order in London owing to "lack of the necessary funds for travelling." *C.R.S.*, xiv, 208, xxv, 133, 155-7, 161-2. The numbers given are in 1706, 34; 1733, 36; 1735, 41.

30. **Hutton Rudby** (ii, 63). The vicar reports 23 families of Roman Catholics in his parish but no "Licens'd nor other Meeting House." This large group was undoubtedly dependent on the mission at Crathorne, but two miles distant. See *Crathorne* No. 18 above. The numbers were in 1706, 40; 1733, 4; 1735, 28.

31. **Ilkley** (ii, 94). This group of 16 families of Popish Recusants with no Meeting House, so far as the vicar knew, was the congregation of the chapel in Middleton Lodge, in this parish, the seat of the old family of Middleton. It was a Benedictine mission served from 1719 to 1745 by Dom Hugh Frankland, O.S.B., born at York, professed at Douay, 1700, and ordained priest 1705. He became a Definitor of the Province in 1745. He became chaplain at Huddlestone Hall in 1748 and died there 16 May, 1755. In the *List* of 1741 he appears as "Hugho Francelin." *C.R.S.*, xiv, 237. *Birt*, p. 101. The numbers were in 1706, 8; in 1733, 18; 1735, 42.

32. **Kilvington, South** (ii, 120). Neither Meeting House nor Teacher are reported in the Return, though there are 12 Papist families. The Meynells of Kilvington Hall were devoted Recusants; their pedigree is in *Foley*, v, 723. Here was a Jesuit mission; served in 1741 by "Mr. Stansfield" i.e. Fr. Robert Stansfield, S.J. who later worked in York and died at Watten in 1751 aged 83. He was succeeded, from 1741 to 1743 by Fr. Joseph Wright, S.J. who was in turn followed from 2 Sept., 1743-1749 by Fr. Francis Digges, S.J., who was followed by Fr. John Wrothwell, S.J. (according to the 1741 *List*, Rothwell in *Foley*), who died chaplain here in 1782. See *C.R.S.*, xiii, 169. *Gillow* v, 5. *Foley*, v, 723. In his *Collectanea* in vol. vii *Foley* mentions Frs. Wright and Digges but does not mention their service at Kilvington. This mission served also *Thirsk* and *Thornton-in-the-Street*, Nos. 60 and 62 below. The numbers were in 1706, 22; 1733, 9; 1735, 35.

33. **Kirkby Overblows** (ii, 104). This small group of one family and 9 other persons scattered over various families was presumably served by the mission at Plompton, see *Spofforth* No. 56 below. There is no suggestion of a chapel or a priest. It may have been dependent on Stockeld Park, another house of the Middleton family (see Ilkley, for Bishop Dicconson notes in his *List* that Dom John Charleton, O.S.B. (1717-1786) was at "Plompton and Stockeld" May, 1745. Cf. *Hexham* No. 27 above. The numbers were in 1706, 6; in 1733, 11; in 1735, 18.



34. **Lee, St. John** (iii, 248). The curate returns 7 Papist Families and mentions a report that "there is a place that the papists do resort to." St. John's Lee is a mile and a half from Hexham; in it is Beaufront, then a seat of the family of Errington who were strict Roman Catholics. They certainly had a chapel, the chaplain of which from 1737 was Dom Edward Gregory Selby, O.S.B., born at Yardhill, Northumberland, professed at Lamb-spring April 1726 and chaplain at Beaufront 1737 till his death at Hesleyside, 6 Febr., 1759. Bishop Dicconson in his *List* notes him as "Superior" but Dom Birt does not record him as holding office in the Order. There are no returns for 1706 and 1733; in 1735 the number given is 21. *Birt*, p. 102.

35. **Lofthouse** (ii, 155). This little group which met "in a private chamber six times in the year" and was served by "Mr. Rivett of Egton" was part of the large district served by the mission at Egton and Ugthorpe. For "Mr. Rivett" see No. 10 in the List of Priests above, and for the East Cleveland mission, of which this was an out station see *Egton* No. 20 above, and *Lythe* No. 36 below. The numbers were in 1706, 3; in 1733, 7; in 1735, 15.

36. **Lythe** (ii, 157). The curate here returns 31 reputed Papist families, "a supposed Mass-House at Ugthorp, a Teacher whose name is thought to be John Rivett" and a school taught by him. It is one of the two Roman Catholic schools mentioned in the Returns, the other being for girls at "the Nunnery" at York (iii, 141).

The chapel at Ugthorpe seems to have been sufficiently public to possess, in 1745, a clock which struck the hours<sup>1</sup>; it may have been inside and not outside the building. It was a former member of Mr. Rivett's flock at Ugthorpe who gave information against him, in which he describes Mass as said in Ugthorpe chapel<sup>2</sup>.

For "John Rivett" *vere* Monox Hervey see No. 10 in the List of Priests above and for the mission see *Egton* No. 20 above and the references there.

According to a letter of 25 Jan., 1736-7 from the rector of Whitby, Jas. Borwick to Dr. Jaques Sterne, then Archdeacon of Cleveland the number of Roman Catholics in Whitby had increased within six years from 7 to near 40 grown Persons, besides children. The vicar asserts that "Mr. John Trevet" of Ugthorp "has *owned* himself a Popish Priest to the vicar of Lythe" and "has boasted to him yt. he forfeited his right to £1100 a year by his turning Papist and going into Orders. This Spark is so far from being afraid of the Law, yt he teaches School (as the vicar of Lythe complains) & has had ye Assurance to invite People to go to hear him do his Duty." (*Bishophthorpe Mss.*, H, 2, 10.) The Returns give the following numbers presumably of grown up Roman Catholics in Lythe; 1706, 135; 1733, 95; 1735, 52.

<sup>1</sup> C.R.S. xiii, 324.

<sup>2</sup> *ib*, 386.

37. **Middlestown Chapel** (iii, 236). These 5 Papist families which met to the number of 12 or 14 persons once in six weeks in a dwelling house were an out-station of the mission at Raventofts, see *Bishop Thornton Chapel* No. 5 above. For their "Teacher, Mr. Mayer" see No. 7 in the List of Priests above.

38. **Mitton** (ii, 175). This very large congregation, 43 out of 215 families, with its chapel and priest was on the very border of the diocese of York. The house was Stonyhurst, and the Duchess-dowager of Norfolk whose home it was, was Mary Maria Winifred Francisca, daughter and sole heiress of Sir Nicolas Shereburne, Bart of Stonyhurst, who had married in 1709 Thomas, 8th Duke of Norfolk who died in 1732. The Duchess is said (Burke, *Peerage*, 1911, p. 1429) to have married in Nov. 1733 Peregrine Wildrington Esq. but the marriage seems to have been unknown to Fr. Thomas Lawson, S.J. who was her chaplain 1725-1733. For "Mr. Butler," *vere* Fr. Peter Seel, O.D.C. see No. 3 in the List of Priests above. He was chaplain here from 1740 to 1752. The Duchess-dowager died 25 Sept., 1754 and Stonyhurst passed to the Weld family, becoming later, by the benefaction of Cardinal Weld the famous Jesuit college. *C.R.S.*, iv, 258. *Foley*, v, 709. *Zimmerman*. The numbers were in 1706, 31; 1733, 13; 1735, 76.

39. **Newton-on-Ouse** (ii, 199). This small group of 9 families, which apparently, had a known "Mass-House" was at Linton, in this parish and was an old mission supported by the Appleby family who had had their seat at Linton but were by 1743 extinct in the male line. The priest-in-charge was Thomas Daniel, 3rd son of John Daniel of Whittington and Durton, Lancs. He entered Douay May 1730 and was ordained there, Deacon 1738, Priest 1739 and left for the mission at Linton 5 Aug., 1740. In 1742 he was appointed to succeed the Rev. P. B. Tunstall at York, with the obligation of serving Linton from there. Later he became a member of the Chapter, and Vicar-General to Bishop Petre. He died at York 25 August, 1770 aged 65. For Mr. "Mayer" see No. 8 in the List of Priests above: apparently Fr. Peter Maire, S.J. then chaplain to Mrs. More in York is meant. There is a careful history of this mission in *C.R.S.*, xvii, 423 seq. See also xxviii, 153, etc. and *Gillow*, ii, 12. The numbers were in 1706, 35; 1733, 22; 1735, 20.

40. **Norton Cuckney** (iv, 111). This like *Colston Bassett* No. 16 above, was served by the Jesuits at Spink Hill. The chapel was in Holbeck Hall, in this parish which had been in the previous century a great centre of the Society. In 1679, in the Popish Plot fever, it was believed that the Jesuits had here a library worth £1000. It was a residence of the Pierrepont family, Dukes of Kingston-upon-Hull. "After the deaths of two Catholic ladies of the Pierrepont family, Holbeck was attended once a month from Spink Hill" from which it was about nine miles away. It remained



a Jesuit mission until the 19th century. For much information about Holbeck Hall, including the escape of a hunted priest there, see *Foley* v, 479-488. *C.R.S.*, vii, 355, xiii, 177. The numbers were in 1735, 42; there are no returns for 1706 and 1733.

**41. Nottingham, S. Peter's** (iv, 107). "Mrs. Willoughby" who had a chapel in her house lived in the Broad Marsh. She was Elizabeth, daughter and heiress of Thomas Southby of Birdsall, Yorks. and married Thomas (1692-1742) second son of the 1st and brother of the 2nd Baron Middleton of Middleton. Through her the Birdsall estate came to the Willoughby family. She died 25 April, 1752. Her daughter, Cassandra who died unmarried 19 April, 1774 was also a Roman Catholic as was her second son Francis, known as "Squire Willoughby" who lived at Aspley Hall near Nottingham and had a Roman Catholic chaplain. He had married Octavia, daughter of Francis Fisher of the Grange, Grantham. Mrs. Willoughby's eldest son succeeded as 5th Baron, and the eldest son of Francis Willoughby succeeded as 7th Baron. Her third son, James, became rector of Guiseley, Yorkshire. The numbers were in Nottingham in 1706, 11; in 1735, 6 Families and 17 persons.

**42. Ollerton** (iv, 115). The Hall here was the residence of the family of Markham who were Recusants; the room which according to tradition, was the chapel, is still pointed out. Thomas Markham Esq. of Ollerton died in this year 1743. By his wife, Catherine daughter of Philip Constable of Houghton he had 12 sons, 7 of whom were at Douay. Two of them died there. Other sons married but died in 1760 and 1768 respectively without issue. On Thomas Markham's death the Hall was sold to the Saviles of Rufford and presumably the mission here ceased. *C.R.S.*, xxviii, 58. The numbers in Edwinstow parish in 1706 were 41; in 1735 "4 Families, 3 Single Persons and a P."?[riest].

**43. Osmotherley** (ii, 218). Mrs. Juliana Walmesley had given the Hall here to the Franciscans for a Residence in 1665; the Order managed to keep it through the subsequent troubles of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The fathers served the family of Coates at Stay House, the chapel at Stokesley and a chapel at Silton (see No. 52 below). The Praeses of the Osmotherley Residence was from 1740 to 1749, Fr. Matthew Collingridge, O.S.F., who died in 1764. A priest of this obedience at Osmotherley, Fr. Peter Watson, *al.* Adams had, in 1734 or a little earlier, left the Roman Catholic communion and was in this neighbourhood, for the Registers of the Rev. Monox Hervey (*al.* John Rivett) record his reconciliation on 5 June, 1737 at North Lofthouse of "Mrs. Ann Coulson of Billsdale" whom "the fallen and Apostate Franciscan Fryer Watson of Osmotherley had perverted and deluded, under Pretence of Piety But after three Years Wandering she on this day" etc. The curate returns but two families "Papishes" and Bishop Dicconson in his *List* gives Fr. Collingridge's station as





The 3 other names given are: in Bishop Thornton, "Mr. — Carr A Reputed priest," and in "Littelthorpe with Whitecliffe Mr. Robert Jefferson Supposed to be a A priest, Anthony Jefferson Gentleman." (*Bishopthorpe Mss.*, H, 2, 10).

46. **Rothwell** (iii, 16). The vicar here returns vaguely "about twenty" families who dissent from the English Church, including in that total Roman Catholics, Presbyterians and Quakers. He states that there is no Meeting House. But Middleton Hall in the parish was a strong Roman Catholic centre. It was at this time the residence of Ralph Brandling Esq., of Felton, Northumberland who had acquired it by his marriage with Helen, daughter and heiress of John Legh. It had been an occasional residence of the late Vicar Apostolic, Dr. Thomas Williams, O.P., consecrated Bishop of Tiberiopolis in 1727 by Benedict XIII, though the Bishop's actual headquarters were at Huddlestone Hall, see *Sherburn-in-Elmet*, No. 52 below. The chaplain at Middleton Hall 1727 to 1753 was a distinguished ecclesiastic, Dr. Thomas Worthington, O.P. (1671-1753) who finds a place in the *D.N.B.* (xxi, 958, 9). His successor, Dr. E. A. Hatton, O.P. removed the mission to Stourton Lodge, near Aberford. Dr. Worthington held the highest office in his Order, that of Provincial in England from 1708-12, 1726-30, 1742-1746 and again 1750-53. He died at Middleton Hall 25 Febr., 1753. Mr. Brandling had been received into the Roman Catholic communion, apparently by Dr. Worthington, on 1 August, 1735. Fr. Bede Jarrett, O.P., *The English Dominicans*, pp. 192-3, 224-5 C.R.S., xiii, 161, xiv, 204, 208, xxv, 96, etc. *Payne*, p. 56. The numbers here were in 1706, none; in 1733, 6; in 1735, 33.

**St. John Lee** see **Lee, St. John**.

47. **Sancton** (iii, 113). The six Papist families here would be dependent upon the mission at Houghton Hall in this parish, the residence of Jordan Langdale Esq. of the elder branch of that family; the younger branch was that of the Lords Langdale at Holme-on-Spalding Moor. *Foley* states that this mission was served by a Jesuit priest from "about 1766" but the connexion had begun earlier for in the *List* of 1741 the chaplain here is given as a Jesuit "Mr. John Howard at Cliff Mr. Jord: Langdales'." Cliff was a hamlet in Sancton a little over a mile from Houghton Hall and was an earlier seat of the Langdale family. Fr. Howard was still here in 1753 when the Vicar Apostolic confirmed 10 of his congregation on 7 July of that year. The non-resident curate returns neither chapel nor priest. "Mr. John Howard" is a mistake of the 1741 *List* for Fr. William Howard, S.J. who entered the Society in 1713, and in 1724 was stationed at Mrs. Thorpe's at Danthorpe, a Hall in the parish of Humbleton in Holderness, on the estate of the Constables. His activity there stirred the vicar of the parish to write a letter, detailing part of it, to Archbishop Blackburne on 22 May, 1725:

the Archbishop records that he delivered it himself to Lord Townshend, then a Secretary of State. The letter is among the Bishopthorpe Mss. (H, 2, 10). Fr. Howard was still at Danthorpe in 1727, but was evidently moved later to Cliff, possibly after the death of the old Lady Dunbar in January, 1739. After working in Yorkshire many years Fr. Howard died at the house of his Order, Watten, in 1770, aged 83. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 184. *Foley*, v, 671, 723; vii, 375. For the pedigree of the elder line of the Langdale family see *Y.A.J.*, xi, 372. The numbers were in 1706, 18; in 1733, 4; in 1735, 14.

48. **Sandal Magna** (iii, 46). Mr. Zouch, the vicar, is evidently not alarmed at the Roman Catholic colony in his parish. He returns them as four families and states that there is a "Gentleman who hath a Chapell in his House" in the remote part of the parish. He does not mention the name of the priest. The mission thus guardedly referred to was at Walton Hall, the seat of the Waterton family, the squire 1743 being Charles Waterton Esq. who had married a More of Barnborough, sixth in descent from Sir Thomas More. It was an old Jesuit mission, the chaplain in 1743 being Fr. James Pool *al.* Foxe, S.J. who entered the Society in 1707 and spent nearly all his ministerial life in Yorkshire. He died in the Derbyshire District in 1760 aged 75. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 185. *Foley*, v, 736, where there is a pedigree of the Waterton family. The numbers were in 1706, 37; in 1733, 15; in 1735, 19.

49. **Saxton** (iii, 43). This small group of 5 families wholly, and 4 partly, Roman Catholic was dependent on the ancient family of Hungate, whose seat was in this parish. Dom Birt (*Obit Book* p. 361) gives Saxton Hall among the Benedictine Missions, rather vaguely, assigning to it the dates "165....-175...." but he mentions no resident chaplain. The *List* of 1741 names no priest stationed here. The owner of the estate, the last male heir of the line, Sir Charles Carrington Hungate, Bart. (1686-1749) was apparently at this date a lunatic; his sister and heir was the wife of Sir Edward Gascoigne of Parlington, close by. Probably this mission was served from Parlington at this time. Cockayne, *Complete Baronetage*, ii, 190. The numbers were in 1706, 10; in 1733, 8; in 1735, 26.

50. **Selby** (iii, 65). Here was a known "Popish Meeting-House" with a service every other Sunday and a group of 9 Papist families. The manor of Selby from the end of the 16th century belonged to the Walmesley family of Dunkenhalth, Lancs. who were Recusants. On the death of the last male heir, Francis, who succeeded his father Bartholomew Walmesley in 1700, the estate passed to his sister Catherine who born in 1697 lived until 1788. She had married in 1711 Robert, 7th Baron Petre who died two years later, and secondly in 1733, Charles 14th Baron Stourton who died in 1753. The chapel was in the house of the Steward of the manor in Ousegate,



now forming part of the Goods Office of the L.N.E.R. There is an interesting account of the ornaments etc. of the chapel in 1719 left by a Jesuit father who served it. Apparently at this time this mission had no resident priest, but was served by one of the chaplains in the district, possibly from Carlton-juxta-Snaith. Morrell, *Hist. and Antiq. of Selby* (1867) pp. 138, 270. *Foley*, v, 734. For the Walmesley family see *C.R.S.*, iv, 186 seq. The numbers were in 1706, 5; no other returns.

**51. Sheffield** (iii, 56). The vicar mentions in his Return Independents and Presbyterians and names their "Teachers" but is silent about Roman Catholics. There was here, however, a priest and therefore a chapel; no doubt in the house of the Duke of Norfolk, who paid, as the 1741 *List* states, the chaplain's salary. The chaplain was a secular priest, the Rev. Christopher Gradell, second son of Christopher Gradell of Barbles Moor, Lancs. and the last representative of his branch of the family. He was trained at Douay which he entered as a boy of 13 in October 1722. He was ordained priest in 1734, was at Sheffield certainly by 1737, became a member of the Chapter in 1755 and died at Sheffield 27 September, 1758. His name is sometimes spelt "Gradwell." *C.R.S.*, xii, 9; xiv, 219; xxviii, 100. The numbers were in 1706, 15; in 1733, 66; in 1735, 81.

**52. Sherburn in Elmet** (iii, 64). The assistant-curate returns 5 families of Papists, but mentions neither chapel nor chaplain. Huddlestone Hall in this parish was a property of the Hungate family and belonged at this time to Sir Edward Gascoigne of Parlington whose wife was the heiress of the Hungate estates. In 1730 Sir Edward gave up the principal part of Huddlestone Hall as a residence for the new Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District, Bishop Thomas Williams, O.P. and it was his principal residence till his death 3 April, 1740. His successor, Dr. Dicconson lived, when in Yorkshire, at Wycliffe on Tees. There must certainly have been a chapel in 1743 at Huddlestone Hall served presumably by the chaplain at Hazlewood, the Rev. G. H. Heddon, see *Tadcaster*, No. 54 below. *Merry England*, No. 56 (Dec. 1887) p. 488 seq. The numbers were 1706, 5; 1733, no return; 1735, 25.

**53. Silton, Over** (iii, 99). **Silton, Nether** (iii, 111). The curate who held both these parishes, in his unusually laconic replies, returns 3 Popish families at Over Silton, and 4 Dissenting (undoubtedly Roman Catholic) families at Nether Silton. The manorial lords of both parishes were Roman Catholics, Over Silton had been part of the estates of the Lords Fauconberg of Newburgh since 1640, while in 1717 Nether Silton had come to Cuthbert Tunstal (later Constable) Esq. The Praeses of the neighbouring Franciscan Residence at Osmotherley, the Rev. Matthew Collingridge, O.S.F., was resident at either one or the other village in 1743.

An informer in 1746 told that he had heard Mr. Collingridge say Mass "in a Chappel at Silton." Fr. Collingridge seems to have escaped arrest however; he was Praeses till 1749. He died in 1764. See *Osmotherley*, No. 43 above. *C.R.S.*, xiv, 388. Fr. Thaddeus, O.F.M., *Franciscans in England*. The numbers were at Over Silton in 1706, 10; 1735, 11. There are no returns from Nether Silton but in 1706, Leake, of which it was a chapelry, returned 77.

54. **Skeckling with Burstwick** (iii, 126). The vicar returns 8 out of the 48 parishes here as "Papists" or "reputed Papists"; he is silent as to any Meeting House they may have had, being more concerned with the Quakers. The 1741 *List* gives "James Watson at Nuthill" among the secular clergy. Nuthill was in this parish, then occupied by the family of Raines. It was part of the estate of the Burton Constable estate. Mr. Watson, according to a Return to the Archbishop of 1733 was said to be *vere* Richard Rand (? a mistake for Raines) son of an English clergyman and educated at Oxford.

Mr. Watson and Mr. Pinkard, who was in charge of the mission at Marton close by, seem to have ministered to the rather large community of Roman Catholics in Holderness, aided by the chaplain to the Constables, see *Swine*, No. 58 below. The Rev. James Watson, trained at the English College in Rome died in York, 20 February, 1772 aged 75.

Amongst other Roman Catholics in this parish in 1733 were "Thomas Champney, Gent., Cuthbert Robinson, Gent. and Leonard Metcalf, Gent." Mr. Metcalf had a brother William, a priest trained at Douay and on 24 April, 1735 his own two sons Thomas and William arrived at Douay for their education. He died in 1749. The numbers were in 1706, 35; in 1733, 12; 1735, 45. *C.R.S.*, xii, 12; xxviii, 201. Cosin. *Roman Catholics, etc.*, pp. 134-6.

55. **Skelton cum Brotton** (iii, 103). This group of 7 families was served by the Rev. Monox Hervey *al.* John Rivett, for whom see No. 10 in the List of Priests above. For frequent references to the Roman Catholics of Skelton see his printed Register 1734-1745 in *C.R.S.*, xiv, 344-359. The numbers were in 1706, 16; 1733, 15; 1735, 23.

56. **Spofforth** (iii, 41). The curate-in-charge reports 10 Papist or reputed Papist "Famillys," a reputed "Mass-House" in Plompton Hall and a reputed Priest named Hutchinson. The family of Plompton of Plompton descended in the male line, it is believed, from the Norman Conquest; it ended in Robert Plompton Esq., who held the estate when this Return was made. He died unmarried, at Cambrai, 8th August, 1749. The estate then passed to his aunts, two of whom were Benedictine nuns at Cambrai. They with the other heirs sold it. For the chaplain 1740-1745, Dom



Anthony Cuthbert Hutchinson, O.S.B., see No. 5 in the List of Priests above. The mission at Plompton also served Knaresboro' from which it was only two miles distant. *C.R.S.*, xxii, 220 seq. *Birt*, p. 102. The numbers were in 1706, 101; 1733, 28; 1735, 35.

57. **Stokesley** (iii, 101). The "private Mass-House" in which "about 40" Roman Catholics met once a fortnight or three weeks had been built about this time by the Lord of the Manor, Bradshaw Pierson Esq. (1692-1746); previously they had used a room in the house of a Mr. Fletcher, whose son Thomas turned informer in 1746. As the Return suggests, there was no resident chaplain, the mission was served by the Rev. Matthew Collingridge, O.S.F. from *Silton* see No. 52, and *Osmotherley* No. 43 above. Mr. Pierson's chapel was wrecked by a mob in 1746. *C.R.S.*, xiv, 388. Fr. Thaddeus, O.S.F. *Franciscans in England*, pp. 169, 175, 216. The numbers were in 1706, 53; 1733, 6; 1735, 20.

58. **Swine** (iii, 127). In this parish, like Hexham, were two Roman Catholic chapels. The chief landowners in Holderness were the family of Constable whose seat, Burton Constable was in this parish. They had never conformed to the changes made in the sixteenth century; on the other hand, though they were staunch Recusants, they seem to have taken no share in plots and were comparatively unmolested by the law. The head of the family in 1743 was Cuthbert Constable who had succeeded his uncle, William, 4th and last Viscount Dunbar who died in 1718. There was always throughout the penal times, a chapel in the Hall at Burton Constable, though it is not clear that there was always a resident chaplain. In 1741 Bishop Dicconson's *List* notes a Franciscan "Mr. Yate" as chaplain at Burton Constable, but the entry is erased and "Mr. Yate" is entered later as chaplain to Mr. Salvin at Easingwold. This priest seems to be Fr. Bernard Yeats, O.S.F. who was later in 1755, Guardian of the Convent at Douay.

Apart from the chapel in the Hall at Burton Constable there was a mission at Marton, a mile away, of which the Rev. John Pinkard, educated in the English College at Rome was chaplain in 1741. (Bishop Dicconson in his *List* calls the mission "Martin's"). Mr. Pinkard died "in Holderness" 1 July, 1754. At Marton an interesting Roman Catholic chapel exists, apparently of the later eighteenth century, externally much like a farm house. It was erected in 1789 by William Constable Esq. but it probably preserves the site of an earlier chapel. An interesting account of a chaplain at Burton Constable 1774 to 1821, Dr. Charles Howard is in *C.R.S.*, xvii, 425. The Mr. Constable, whose chaplain Dr. Howard was, died a complete Deist, if not an atheist. In 1840 the chaplain of this mission reported that the books, papers, and monumental inscriptions there went back to 1690.

Apart from the chapel at Burton Constable and the mission at Marton, there was also, from 1740 to 1743 a Benedictine mission at Wyton, in the chapelry of Bilton, in this parish. Wyton Hall, a mile and a half from Burton Constable, and the estate of Wyton were then the property of the Brigham family, who like the Constables were firm Recusants. Wyton passed from the Brighams in 1767. The chaplain at Wyton in 1740 was Dom William Maurus Westbrooke (*alias* Darell) professed at Lambspring 1726 and Prior there 1736-1739. Sent on the English Mission to Wyton 1740 he was transferred to Gilling Castle 1743 where he resided till 1750. He died at Lambspring, 1774. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 8. *Birt*, p. 109. *Payne*, p. 40. The numbers were in 1706, 26 families; in 1733, 23; in 1735, 46.

59. **Tadcaster** (iii, 143). The curate-in-charge returns 10 or 12 families of Papists. Hazlewood, the seat of the ancient family of Vavasour was a hamlet of this parish and its mediaeval chapel of S. Leonard was used by them as their private chapel in which their Roman Catholic chaplain officiated. This liberty had been granted to the family, according to the tradition repeated by Lawton, by Queen Elizabeth. The chaplain in 1743 was a secular, George Henry Heddon, trained at Douay and ordained priest there 21 March 1732, saying his first Mass on 5 April, 1733. He left for England 1734 to become chaplain to the Vicar Apostolic, Bishop Williams O.P. at Huddlestone Hall (see *Sherburn in Elmet* No. 52 above). He was with the Bishop when he died at Huddlestone 3 April, 1740 but he was also chaplain at Hazlewood at the time and buried Bishop Williams there publicly on April 4th. Mr. Heddon died at Hazlewood 19 Sept., 1764. *C.R.S.*, xii, 11; xiv, 219; xxviii, 130, 169, 198. *Merry England* No. 56 (Dec., 1887) p. 490 seq. for the latter years of Bishop Williams. Lawton. *Collectio, etc.* p. 79. The numbers were in 1706, 19; 1733, 8; 1735, 29.

60. **Thirsk** (iii, 166). This fairly large body of Roman Catholics, 17 families, would be dependent on the Jesuit mission at South Kilvington, little more than two miles away, see No. 32 above. The numbers were in 1706, 12; 1733, 8; 1735, 30.

61. **Thorner** (iii, 144). This group of 9 Roman Catholic families was no doubt at Scarcroft, a hamlet in this parish which was part of the estate of the Vavasours of Hazlewood, see *Tadcaster*, No. 59 above. The numbers were in 1706, 8; in 1735, 6.

62. **Thornton-in-the-Street** (iii, 170). The 8 Papist families belonged as the curate states, to the Jesuit mission at "Roger Mennel's Esqr. in North Kilvington." See *Kilvington, South*, No. 32 above. There were no Roman Catholics here in 1706; for 1733 and 1735 there are no returns.

63. **Tong** (iii, 150). The curate makes no return of any Roman Catholics but according to Bishop Dicconson's *List* of 1741 and other authorities, a Dominican, Dr. Hatton was at this date stationed



“at Mr. Tempest’s of Tong.” Tong Hall was the seat of a branch of the family of Tempest, of which another and a Roman Catholic branch was settled at Broughton, see No. 11 above. The head of the branch at Tong, Sir George Tempest (1672-1745) was an English Churchman and rebuilt the church at Tong. His eldest son Henry became a Roman Catholic and was disinherited by his father in consequence. The second son, Nicholas succeeded to the estates, though not to the title, on Sir George’s death, and he then became a Roman Catholic, but died without issue in 1756. Dr. Hatton was evidently in 1743 chaplain to Mr., later Sir Henry, Tempest, who seems to have lived on his father’s estate.

The Dominican authorities are clear that from 1740 to 1749 Fr. Edward Antoninus Hatton, O.P., D.D., was at Tong. Previously Dr. Hatton had been chaplain to Mr. Jordan Langdale at Cliff (see *Sancton*, No. 47 above), then to Bishop Williams, O.P., 1739 to 1740. In 1749 he was chaplain to Mr. Brandling of Middleton Hall (see *Rothwell*, No. 46 above) first at his house at Felton in Northumberland and then at Middleton in 1753 on the death of Dr. Worthington. He moved the mission to Stourton Lodge and died there 23 October 1783. *C.R.S.*, xiv, 208, etc.; xxv, 131. No Roman Catholics are reported here in 1706, 1733 or 1735.

64. **Whitby** (iii, 207). The 25 families of Roman Catholics here were ministered to by the two secular clergy of the East Cleveland mission, see *Egton* No. 20 and *Lythe*, No. 36 above. Their activities had in 1736 stirred the rector to write a detailed letter of complaint to the archdeacon, Dr. Sterne, part of which is printed under *Lythe* above. The rector believed that Mr. Smith of Egton had been trying to hire a house in Whitby in which a chapel could be set up. In 1743 however there was neither a chapel nor a resident missionary. The numbers were in 1706, 51; 1733, 4; 1735, 40.

65. **Worksop** (iv, 171). This considerable congregation was protected by the influence of Edward, 9th Duke of Norfolk (1686-1777) and the chapel was undoubtedly in his Manor House. The chaplain was the Rev. Cuthbert Haydock, born 1684, son of William Haydock, Esq., of Cottam Hall, Lancs. Trained at Douay he was ordained priest there in 1714 and became chaplain at Worksop in 1723. He was elected a member of the Chapter, 1734. After serving this mission 40 years he died at Worksop 11 January, 1763. *C.R.S.*, xxviii, 20, etc. The numbers were in 1706, 14; 1735, 75.

66. **Yarm** (iii, 227). The curate returns 12 Roman Catholic families and states his belief that they had a Place where they assembled. He gives no hint of its whereabouts and he is silent about a “Teacher;” The Friary (Bishop Dicconson in his *List* calls it “Frereridge”) Yarm was the seat of the Mayes family who

were devoted Recusants. The chaplain in 1741 was Fr. Charles Hopkinson, S.J., known as "Mr. Siddal", "Sydal" or "Siddle." He had been ordained priest 16 March, 1726, entered the S.J. March 1729, and after serving this mission many years died 23 April, 1770 aged 70. *Gillow*, iv, 548. *C.R.S.*, iv, 253. *Foley*, vi, 472; vii, 363. The numbers were in 1706, 45; 1733, 25; 1735, 56.

**67. York, Holy Trinity, Micklegate** (iii, 141). This, of all the York Returns is the most important for this Appendix, since the curate reports a House in which Papists assemble every day in great Numbers, four supposed Priests, eighteen Papist families, and "a Boarding House call'd the Nunnery" in which "Mass is perform'd." No names of the "supposed Priests" are returned.

York and Hexham were the strongest Roman Catholic centres in the diocese in 1743, the total number of Roman Catholic families from the parishes in York which make Returns is 66. In 1706 the numbers were 561; in 1733, 79; in 1735, 249.

**1. The Convent.**—York possessed one of the two Roman Catholic religious houses then existing in Great Britain (the other was the small convent at Hammersmith). "The Nunnery" was the convent and conventual chapel of the Institute of Mary founded by Sir Thomas Gascoigne of Parlington and others in 1677 and established in its present quarters outside Micklegate Bar in 1686. Its existence was connived at by the authorities, though five years after this Return, in 1748, Dr. Jaques Sterne, then Archdeacon of Cleveland and Precentor of York Minster (who appears in these Returns as Rector of Rise, etc.) tried to set the law in motion against the community. He met with little success and in 1751 ceased his attack and later became a useful friend to the convent. Its chaplain in 1743 was Fr. Francis Mannock, S.J. (1670-1748) second son of Sir Francis Mannock, Bart. of Gifford's Hall, Suffolk. He entered the Society in 1686, was professed in 1704, and after many years as chaplain to this convent died on 21 December, 1748 aged 77. The Superior in 1743 was Mother Esther Conyers who had entered the community in 1709 and died in 1756. H. J. Coleridge, S.J., *St. Mary's Convent, Micklegate Bar, York* (London, 1887). *C.R.S.*, iv, 374 seq. *Gillow*, iv, 457. *Foley*, v, 546 (the Mannock pedigree), vii, 485.

**2. The Mission of the Secular Clergy.**—The priest in charge of this in 1743 was the Rev. Thomas Daniel (1705-1765) of an old Lancs. family. Having been trained and ordained at Douay, Mr. Daniel was appointed in 1740 to the mission at Linton in the parish of Newton-on-Ouse near York. In 1742 Bishop Dicconson gave him charge of the Mission in York, with the obligation of serving Linton from that centre. He became later a member of the Chapter and Vicar General to Bishop Petre. In 1743 he resided in Lop Lane on the site of the present theatre and presumably served a chapel there,



close to if not actually on the site of the present R.C. church of S. Wilfrid. He was evidently greatly trusted by his Bishop and was the administrator also of some of the finances of the vicariate. See references in *Newton-on-Ouse*, No. 39 above and *C.R.S.*, xiv, 390-392.

**3. Chaplains.**—Bishop Dicconson's *List* of 1741 records the following clergy as resident in York, most of them as chaplains to private families. A certain number of the Northern gentry had at this time "town" houses in York, much as gentry in the South had "town" houses in London

(i) **Peter Maire, S.J.** "at Mrs. More's" (which appears to have been in Colliergate). See No. 8 in the *List of Priests* above, and *Newton-on-Ouse*, No. 39 above. "Mrs. More" was either the widow of Thomas More Esq. who had died at Barnborough in 1739, or her mother-in-law, the widow of Christopher Cresacre More who died at Barnborough in 1729. Mrs. Cresacre More survived till October, 1744. Fr. Maire was apparently assisting Mr. Daniel at Linton-on-Ouse in 1743. Later he became chaplain to the Convent and died at York 1763.

(ii) **John Piatt, S.J.** "at Mr. Selby's, York." Thomas William Selby, Esq. of Biddlestone Hall, Northumberland had a house in York in the parish of Holy Trinity, Micklegate in 1735 in which he resided there with his wife, two daughters, a footman and three maid-servants. Biddlestone is said to be the Osbaldestone Hall of *Rob Roy*. Fr. John Piatt (or Pyatt) was chaplain at Mr. Selby's house in York from 1724, having entered the S.J. in 1706. He died at York 19 January, 1743 aged 57. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 181*n*. *Foley*, vii, 597.

(iii) **Ignatius Anderson, S.J.** "at York with Mrs. Knight (of Frickley)." Mrs. Knight was probably Elizabeth Plompton who married (1) Marmaduke Anne of Frickley and Burgwallis Halls and (2) William Knight, of the Lincolnshire family. Like the Selbys of Biddlestone above, the Knights had a chaplain at their country as well as at their town house, see *Frickley*, No. 23 above.

Fr. Ignatius Anderson is Ignatius Sheffield *vere* William Anderson who born in 1689 entered the S.J. in 1721. He served in the Suffolk District and in 1741 was at York. He was chaplain to Mrs. William Knight at the Old Hall, Kingerby, Lincs. "about 1743" and died there 25 August, 1764 aged 75. He is said to have been a great astronomer. *Foley*, v, 619; vii, 704. *C.R.S.*, iv, 260 *seq.*; xiii, 167*n*.

(iv) **Robert Stanfield, S.J.** The name of this priest appears in the 1741 *List* with "at Kilvington, Mr. Meynell's" against it erased, and "Now at York" erased, and then "York." Probably he was at the house of either Roger Meynell Esq.

senr. or of his son Roger Meynell Esq. junr. both of whom in 1735 had town houses in Micklegate. Fr. Stanfield was by this time an old man having been born in 1668, entered the S.J. in 1687 and worked in Yorkshire since 1711. He ceased to be chaplain to the Meynells at *Kilvington*, see No. 32 above, in 1741 and evidently lived on in York for a time till he retired to Watten where he died in 1751 aged 83. *Foley*, vii, 730. *C.R.S.*, viii, 169*n*.

(v) **Robert Ambrose Davis, O.S.B.** The name of this priest with "York" erased against it appears in the 1741 *List*. He, like the last, must have been an old man for he had been professed on 2 May, 1688, though not ordained priest till 1697. He also had served at Kilvington, in 1728 and had then worked in Bedale, 1731-2. He died, Dom Birt says rather vaguely "near York" on 1 August, 1754. *Birt*, p. 100.

Bishop Dicconson's *List* gives the name of another Jesuit priest "Mr.....Constable with Mrs. Selby at York," the entry occurring immediately after one of 2 Sept., 1743 so that it does not fall within the time of this Visitation. The entry appears to refer to Fr. Robert Constable, S.J. who seems to have succeeded Fr. Piatt above. *C.R.S.*, xiii, 181.

The curate of Holy Trinity, Micklegate, Mr. Mosley, it will be noticed from these notes, was well informed about the Roman Catholics in his parish, though it seems doubtful whether there were two priests living in the Convent. Fr. Mannock the chaplain lived there, and two other Jesuit Fathers, Piatt and Stanfield, were no doubt living in the parish. Possibly Fr. Anderson did the like, but Mr. Daniel and Fr. Maire, S.J. lived outside its boundaries. There were therefore in 1743, six if not seven, Roman Catholic clergy in York, one a secular, five Jesuits and one Benedictine. Two of them seem to have been superannuated and probably the normal working number of priests was, as Mr. Mosley reckons it, four.

Both the old priests were school boys when their predecessors Nicholas Postgate and Thomas Thwing, in 1679 and 1680, were drawn through the streets of York to be executed after the barbarous fashion of the time, for exercising their office.



## APPENDIX B.

### PRESBYTERIANS AND INDEPENDENTS.

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#### Prefatory Note.

The parishes in which congregations of Presbyterians and Independents are noted in these Returns are arranged alphabetically in the following Appendix. For the facts given here I have relied chiefly upon two sources :—

1. The Mss. Collections made by the diligent and careful scholar, Walter Wilson, (1781-1847) bequeathed by him to Dr. Williams's Library, Gordon Square, London.
2. J. G. Miall's *Congregationalism in Yorkshire*, London, 1868.

I owe my grateful thanks to the Librarian of Dr. Williams's Library for his generous courtesy in assisting my research, to Mr. J. C. Warren of Sherwood, Nottingham, for his help in connexion with congregations in Nottinghamshire, and to my co-editor for the General Sketch.

#### 1.—General Sketch.

By the Act I William and Mary, cap. 18 known as the Toleration Act, which became law on 24th May, 1689, the Protestant Dissenters were relieved from the chief penalties of the four Acts passed by the Restoration Parliament in the years 1661-1665. Henceforth, any Dissenter who took the oath of Allegiance and Supremacy and subscribed the declaration against Transubstantiation was freed from the penalties of the four Acts; Dissenting Ministers, to obtain a like privilege had to subscribe also the xxxix Articles (omitting the first part of Art. xx and Arts. xxxiv-xxxvi.) Their places of worship had to be certified and registered by either the ecclesiastical or civil authority and their services to be conducted with unlocked doors. Dissenters were still, however, excluded from municipal, civil, and military office, yet from 1727 it became customary for an annual Indemnity Act to be passed to free Dissenters who had accepted office from the penalties prescribed by the Test Act of 1679. They remained excluded from the Universities and the Houses of Parliament, though by the Act of Union of 1707 the 16 peers who represented Scotland in the House of Lords and the 45 commoners who represented her in the House of Commons were free from the English sacramental test and could sit and vote though members of the Established Church of Scotland, i.e., as Presbyterians.

This grace granted to Scottish Presbyterians does not appear to have increased the influence of the Presbyterians in England.

Their strength lay in the cities among the rich mercantile class: it lessened as they became a number of detached congregations. The Independents who had risen into importance under the Commonwealth shared with the Presbyterians a devotion to the theology of John Calvin though they differed widely from them in their theory of Church government. Alike by their common Calvinism and by the force of circumstances the Independents were brought closer to the Presbyterians, so that it is difficult in the records always to distinguish precisely between Presbyterian and Independent congregations. The facts collected here show, however, a most important force at work, which was to be countered among the Dissenters by the Methodist Revival. This force was the revival of Arianism, often called Socinianism, and later known as Unitarianism. To this force the English Presbyterians ultimately very nearly succumbed, many of their Christian members becoming Independents.

The facts recorded here illustrate the change which was proceeding actively in 1743. The Independents resisted the Unitarian challenge, consequently they are in not a few cases the successors of congregations originally Presbyterian, for orthodox Presbyterian congregations preferred an Independent minister to a Presbyterian who was in fact a Unitarian.

As in the case of the Roman Catholics who were divided by the controversy between the Vicars Apostolic and the Regulars, these Returns do not call attention to the struggle that was going on; the facts they record when they are examined closely, as in this Appendix, illustrate it very clearly.

## 2.—List of Parishes.

**Arnold.** Nathaniel Whitlock, was the colleague of Dr. Samuel Eaton, of High Pavement Chapel, Nottingham, and grandson of the founder of that Congregation, John Whitlock, ejected from S. Mary's, Nottingham in 1662.

**Attercliffe.** Sheffield, Upper Chapel. In 1700 a commodious chapel was built. After the secession of part of the congregation to Nether Hall in 1714, John Wadsworth, late of Rotherham (1701), became their Minister. He resigned through ill health in 1744 and was buried at Nether Hall. His last assistant was his son, Field Sylvester Wadsworth who was requested to withdraw from Dr. Doddridge's Academy, at Northampton, for unorthodox views on the Trinity. He succeeded his father and resigned from ill health in 1758. John Wadsworth was instructed under the celebrated Mr. Timothy Jollie at his Academy at Attercliffe, whom he succeeded there and 'supported the character of a tutor with great respectability for a number of years.'

**Ayton (Cleveland).** The records are very incomplete. Tradition records that, on account of the religious troubles in Scotland,



several Scots settled in this vicinity. One became Lord of the Manor, and the first Meeting House was built by him on his land. Mr. Andrew Porteous preached his last sermon at Ayton on Feb. 8th, 1746-7, from Phil. i, 27, and next appears at Nuneaton, where his ministry was regarded as having a tendency to Arianism.

**Batley.** Mr. Timothy Aldred from Morley Old Chapel (1709). A scholar; he opposed Wesley's doctrine of Perfection. He was only once absent from his pulpit during the 54 years of his pastorate. In 1715, he had 450 hearers. He resigned in 1763.

**Beverley.** The Meeting House in Lairgate was erected in 1704 by the Presbyterians. Later in the century the property was assigned to the Independents. The chapel was blown down by a violent storm in 1715. John Harris, M.A., was minister in 1737; his successor was appointed in 1777.

**Bingley.** Thomas Wainman was educated at Frankland's Academy for divinity and medical students at Rothwell. He died in 1746, and was buried in the parish church yard. For his sons, John and Benjamin Wainman, see *Pudsey* below.

**Birstall.** John Kirkby of Heckmondwike Upper Chapel, 1710. He had a school in White Lee, Heckmondwike, and was incapacitated by increasing infirmities. He died on Feb. 14th, 1754, aged 77, and was buried near the Meeting House at Heckmondwike. He was succeeded by James Scott (see *Gisburne*) and Evan Stock (see *Cleckheaton*).

**Bishop Burton.** Licensed Presbyterian Meeting House. 10 or 20 assemble once in 3 weeks to read and pray and sing Psalms. No Teacher.

**Blidworth.** A Meeting House endowed with 40 shillings a year, having Presbyterian and Independent teachers alternately, and assembling once in 6 or 8 weeks.

**Bradfield Chapel.** Samuel Smith, of Stannington, 1713. He died at Stannington in 1761. Richard Spoone built a small Chapel there in 1652 or 1653. In 1742, the old Chapel was replaced by a new one, erected by T. Marriott Esqre of Ughill.

**Bradford Chapel.** In 1717 or 1718 a new Meeting House was built at a cost of £340 3s. 5d., the ground being given by Robert Stansfield, who married a daughter of Mr. T. Sharp of Mill Hill Chapel, Leeds, cousin to Archbishop Sharp. 1731, Joshua Hardcastle, from Swanland, 1715, minister. He died at Bradford, and was succeeded by (1753) John Smith (see *Halifax, Mixenden* below).

**Bridlington.** A new Meeting House was erected about 1706, called Zion Chapel, and was further endowed in 1728 by E. Huddleston, Esqre., 'of or near York'. 1736, Thomas Lax, minister, from Topcliffe (1727) where he was succeeded by Robert Hesketh

(see *Crostone Chapel* below). Mr. Lax was at Bridlington in 1745 (next name, 1753).

**Burton Joyce with Bulcote.** Here was a Meeting House, in 1743 unused.

**Calverley.** Minister, James Huthwaite (the Return has "Huthwait," incorrectly) of Idle (1724). He died at Idle on June 25th, 1766, age 77 and has a monument in Idle Chapel. 'He left the Congregation in a state of great declension.' Mr. Huthwaite came to Idle from Warley (1722), where he was succeeded by John Smith (see *Halifax, Mixenden*), Evan Stock, 1734 (see *Cleckheaton*) and William Graham, 1742 (see *Warley*). For John Wainman see *Bingley* and *Pudsey*.

**Calverton.** Here was a Meeting House, 'unused for 5 or 6 years'.

**Cave, South.** In 1715, the Congregation amounted to about 400 hearers. James Mallison was pastor at Howden, when the Chapel was built there (1722).

**Cleckheaton.** In 1710, worship was held at a hamlet called Swinley or Egypt, between Cleckheaton and Gomersal. In that year, John Dixon of Bradford purchased a plot of land on which the first Chapel was erected, which, being of brick, was called 'The Red Chapel.' In 1741, the minister was Evan Stock not "Stott" as in the Return, who succeeded John Angier (1728) who removed to Swanland (see *Ferriby, North*). 'Mr. Stock was probably of Arian sentiments'. He married a lady of property, and ministered at Cleckheaton for nearly 20 years (see *Calverley*).

**Coley Chapel.** The Chapel referred to was probably that at North Oworm.

**Cottingham.** A Chapel existed in 1696, and is said not to have been the first. In 1734, John Brooke was minister. He died on Feb. 2nd, 1750.

**Crostone Chapel.** Minister, Robert Hesketh, 'Glasgow University', from Eastwood (1739), having been previously at Bolton, Lancashire and Woodkirk. From Crostone, he went to North Oworm (1744), where he died on Jan. 19th, 1744, aged 77, and was buried in the Chapel Yard, where is a tombstone with Latin inscription: 'A valuable man; orthodox and peaceable'.

**Darfield.** The Chapel was at Great Houghton in Darfield parish. 'The Chapel is now united to the Church of England.' This Return mentions a 'Mr. Trout from Sheffield' as minister in 1743.

**Doncaster.** A Meeting House was built about 1640. This Return records '— Roberts' as minister, but from 1734-1750, Laurence Holden is given as minister.



**Eccleshall.** A small Chapel was built at Fulwood (Sheffield) about 1724. Jeremiah Gill, minister. Died 1758. He was, perhaps, son of Jeremiah Gill who was assistant to Timothy Jollie at Sheffield Upper Chapel, and who died in 1709. Wilson mentions one of the same names who was 'near 50 years minister of the Presbyterian Congregation at Gainsborough, where he died, 1796. Educated first under Mr. Wadsworth at Sheffield, and afterwards under Dr. Doddridge at Northampton. He was at Northampton in 1738, and settled at Cambridge before he went to Gainsborough'.

**Ferriby, North.** Minister, John Angier not "Anger" as in the Return, at Swanland (1740), where he was for about 40 years and where he died. He was buried at Ferriby (See *Cleckheaton*). 'Nothing is known of the origin of the Congregation at Swanland, which is one of the oldest Independent Societies in the Country'. *History of South Cave*, J. G. Hall, p. 242.

**Firbeck.** Chapel unused for more than 2 years.

**Gargrave.** The Chapel was at Winterburn, built by Mrs. Lambert 'one of the Asshetons of Arnoldsbiggin, now Gisburn Park.' She married John Lambert a son of the Republican Major General Lambert (1619-1683, see *D.N.B.* xi. 452-459) whose family seat was at Calton. She was a zealous Presbyterian, and the Chapel was erected as a place of worship for the miners on the estate. No names of ministers are given.

**Gisburn.** Minister at Horton in Craven, James Scott, 'University of Edinborough', 1728-9. A native of Berwickshire, born 1710. For some years, he was a private tutor. On hearing that many congregations in England needed pastors, he crossed the Border and settled in 1739 at Stainton in Westmoreland, and removed to Horton (1741), Tockholes, Lancashire (1751), and Heckmondwike Upper Chapel (1754) where he succeeded John Kirkby, and set up an Academy. He died on Jan. 11th, 1783. 'The Chapel could not contain the anxious and listening multitudes who came to hear Mr. Scott, for he was beloved by those who knew him'. (See *Birstall*).

**Greasley (Notts.).** Meeting House. Meets once a fortnight. About 40 out of 100 families.

**Halifax.** A Presbyterian Chapel was opened in 1696. It had a Congregation of 600 in 1715 '16 of whom had votes for the County'. Minister, 1728, Eli Dawson, from Bradford (1706). He was the youngest son of Rev. Joseph Dawson of Morley, and was educated at Mr. Frankland's Academy at Rothwell with his brother Samuel. He had 7 sons, 6 of whom were brought up to the Dissenting ministry; but, greatly to the disgust of their father's friends, abandoned it, and 5 of them conformed, mainly (it is said) owing to the persuasion of Dr. Leigh, Vicar of Halifax—'so great was the indignation that, when an application was made on behalf

of a Joseph Dawson for assistance from a fund, it was deemed necessary to certify that he was not one of the same family.' Eli Dawson died in 1744. A new Meeting House was probably erected in his time at Halifax. For two of his sons, Samuel and Joseph, see *Wibsey Chapel* and *Hull, Bowl-Alley Lane*. Another son, Eli, who conformed, 'became Chaplain to a Man of War. He preached the first Protestant sermon in Quebec, the extracts from which in the *Monthly Review* for 1760, contain an eulogy on the brave General Wolfe, which exhibits the author's talents for splendid panegyric in a very favourable point of view. He afterwards obtained a living in the West Indies, where he died'. (*Wilson*).

**Halifax (Elland).** A Meeting House was erected before 1700, chiefly through the agency of the Brooksbank family. Minister, 1742, Thomas Farrar, of the Farrars of Elland Park. He died 1745. He came to Elland from Eastwood (1739) where he was succeeded by Robert Hesketh (see *Crostone*).

**Halifax (Mixenden).** In 1717, a second Meeting House was erected at Moor End on the estate of Rev. Matthew Smith, M.A., University of Edinburgh, who founded the Presbyterian Connexion here. In later years, he was assisted by his son, John Smith, who succeeded him on his death in 1736, and who had been minister at Warley (1724). John Smith was 17 years at Mixenden, removing to Chapel Lane, Bradford in 1753. He died in 1778 and was buried at Mixenden. 'He gradually verged into Arianism in his later years'. (See *Calverley*).

**Halifax (North Oworm).** The Chapel was opened on July 8th, 1688, built by Rev. Oliver Heywood, B.A., who formed a Congregation there 'with some deviation from strict Presbyterian principles'. Most of the Nonconformist congregations in a very wide district (of which North Oworm was a central point) owed their origin or their continuance to his exertions. In 1710, a new Trust Deed describes the Chapel as a 'Meeting house for religious worship for Protestant Dissenters'. Minister, 1702, Thomas Dickinson, educated at Frankland's Academy. 'A valuable and devoted minister'. He died on Dec. 26th, 1743, aged 74. His tombstone is at North Oworm, where he was succeeded by Robert Hesketh (see *Crostone*). Mr. Dickinson had 12 children; one of his sons had been in two battles and escaped unhurt, but being seized with fever on his passage from Cartagena, he died in 1741. Thomas Dickinson published two Sermons (i) On the Death of Rev. Thomas Whitaker, M.A., of Leeds, who died Nov. 19th, 1710 (II Sam., 3, 38), and (ii) a Funeral Sermon for Mr. John Brooksbank of Elland, who died Sept. 26th, 1715 (I Tim., 1, 15).

**Halifax (Sowerby).** Chapel built in 1720. Minister (1721) William Dodge 'a useful preacher and physician'. Buried in the Chapel; no date (next name, 1744).



**Halifax (Stansfield).** Mr. Hesketh (see *Crostone*, and *Halifax, Elland*).

**Halifax (Warley).** Meeting House erected in 1705. Some of the family of Archbishop Tillotson, who were worshippers, liberally assisted in its erection. Ministers:—1722, J. Huthwaite (see *Calverley*); 1724, John Smith (see *Halifax, Mixenden*); 1734, Evan Stock (see *Cleckheaton*); 1742, William Graham, M.A., (in the Return “Gream”), ‘a man of learning and ability’. Later, he became an avowed Unitarian. He died in 1763.

**Haworth (parish of Bradford).** Four Chapels are mentioned here.

**Healaugh.** ‘Mr. John Morton at Healaugh and Tadcaster’.

**Hexham.** Minister, Benjamin Peile. ‘He studied under Dr. Rotherham at Kendal, and settled for a short time at Keswick. He afterwards removed to Hexham, where he died in 1790. A man of amiable manners and great knowledge, particularly natural history.....but a very unpopular preacher’. (*Wilson*).

**Howden.** Chapel built in 1722. Minister, James Mallison (see *Cave, South*).

**Hull (Bowl-Alley Lane).** Minister, 1705, Rev. John Whitter, ‘a faithful pastor for 50 years’. He died in 1755, shortly after his resignation. He married at Halifax, on July 7th, 1705, ‘Mr. Peacock’s daughter, of Hull’. His assistants were Rev. Joseph Dawson (see *Halifax*), who afterwards conformed and became Vicar of Paull; and Rev. John Root, who married Mr. Whitter’s daughter. In 1714, Rev. Leonard Chamberlayne bequeathed to the Chapel a valuable library. (For Mr. Root, see *York, St. Saviour Gate*).

**Hull (Dagger Lane).** Congregationalist. Ministers: 1735, Rev. William Martin, assistant preacher during a vacancy. He died in 1745. 1736, 16th April, Rev. Tobias Wildbore, from Soham, Cambridgeshire, succeeding Rev. Ebenezer Gill. His assistants were William Martin, Meredith Townsend and James Cunningham. Mr. Wildbore was laid aside by paralysis some years before his death in 1759.

**Idle.** A regular Chapel was erected in 1717, and two fields presented for the maintenance of a minister. Minister, 1729, J. Huthwaite (see *Calverley*).

**Illingworth.** Rev. John Smith. (See *Halifax, Mixenden*, and *Halifax, Warley*).

**Keighley.** The first meetings were held in a barn belonging to Mr. Leach, whose house was afterwards the site of the new Chapel. The first minister (1742) was the Rev. Thomas Thorbarn (the Return has “Robert Thorbarre”) from Northumberland. In 1744, he succeeded Rev. William Dodge at Sowerby (see *Halifax, Sowerby*).

**Kirk Burton.** The Return gives 'William Eddins' as minister here. This is possibly William Eden, who was at Elland and Eastwood in 1745.

**Kirkby Malzeard.** Meetings held at 'one Aker's house'.

**Kneesal with Upton.** Meeting House. Once a month. 20 in number.

**Leeds.** At the Mill Hill Presbyterian Chapel, 'built after the Declaration of Indulgence in 1672', Rev. Joseph Cappe ministered between 1710 and 1748, succeeding William Pendlebury, father of the Rev. William Pendlebury (see *Rotherham* below). For Mr. Cappe's son see *York, St. Saviour Gate*. There was also Call Lane Chapel (Independent).

**Malton, New.** The 'late teacher' mentioned in the Return was possibly Hananiah Elston (1730).

**Mansfield.** 'Mr. Shaw of Mansfield was a very near relation of Ferdinands Shaw, M.A., of Derby'. He published a 'Covenant Sermon' (1714), two Sermons on the 'Landing of the Pretender' (1716), and a Sermon on 'Prince Frederick's Birthday (1729), 8vo'.

**Nottingham.** Samuel Eaton, D.D., University of Edinburgh, was pastor of the High Pavement Chapel, and came from Allostock in Cheshire. He died on Oct. 26th, 1769. Probably a relative of George Eaton, the Baptist minister there. Thomas Harrop was another minister of the same Chapel. He was in Nottingham in 1741 and 1753 and settled at Wem in 1755. The Wilson MS. mentions 'Samuel' Harrop, educated under Dr. Doddridge, who settled early in life with a Dissenting Congregation at Stafford, and from thence removed to Wem, where he died in 1781. 'You have probably heard that God hath removed good Mr. Harrop of Wem to a better world. I wish that Congregation may be supplied with a suitable man, but they are reduced to a very low state by the incursion of the Methodists and other disorderly people. It is, I think, the only instance I have known, of a serious, active, laborious and truly evangelical preacher and pastor, who hath seen his Congregation sinking under him'. (*Orton Letters*, ii, 27.) James Schloss was minister of the Independent Congregation at Nottingham. He came from Scotland. He published a volume of Sermons on the Trinity (1752), and was attacked by Dr. John Taylor of Norwich (1694-1761) (see *D.N.B.* xix. 439) in a pamphlet entitled 'A Narrative of Mr. Joseph Rawson's Case' 1737. Mr. Rawson had been excluded from Mr. Schloss's Church for heterodoxy on the Trinity. Mr. Schloss died at Nottingham on May 1st, 1772.

**Ossett-Green Chapel.** This Congregation was founded (1717) by separation from Wakefield. At first, the Meeting was a pressing-shop, in which Rev. Thomas Dickinson (see *Halifax, North Oworm*) who had married an Ossett lady, preached the opening sermon. A



Chapel was built in 1733. Minister (1731) Rev. Thomas Lightfoot, from Long Houghton. Also mentioned as preaching at Dewsbury. He died on Nov. 3rd, 1758.

**Pateley Bridge.** A Meeting House was erected on Greenhough Hill, soon after the Civil Wars by Mr. Freeman, a Captain in Cromwell's army. Minister (1733) Rev. John Carnson 'who was unhappy in his ministry and was compelled to resign' (no date).

**Peniston (Bull House).** A Chapel was built before 1692. Minister, 'Benjamin Shaw was here in 1748 and died 1771'.

**Plumtree.** For James Sloss see *Nottingham* (above).

**Pontefract.** Minister (1715) Rev. Benjamin Sandford. 'At this time the Congregation which was now Independent, included several families of influence'. Mr. Sandford studied under Dr. Rotheram at Kendal. Later he seems to have settled at Ormskirk, Lancashire, where he died about 1767.

**Pudsey.** A Chapel is mentioned in 1611, and a new one was opened about 1695. Minister (1727) Rev. John Wainman, son of Rev. Thomas Wainman (see *Bingley*). He was born at Bingley in 1706, where he periodically exchanged pulpits with his father's successor. He died on June 10th, 1770 aged 64, and was buried in the Old Chapel at Pudsey. For his brother, Benjamin Wainman, see Kildwick in Craven and Silsden Chapel, in the text of the Returns.

**Retford, West.** Meeting House, but no Presbyterian families in the parish.

**Rotherham.** A new Chapel, built about 1695; 'attended by highly respectable puritanic families', some of whom had private chaplains at their own residences,—amongst them, Mr. Foljambe of Eastwood (Aldwarke Hall). Minister (1738) Rev. William Pendlebury, who resigned in 1743 and afterwards conformed. For his father, see *Leeds, Mill Hill Chapel*.

**Scarborough (Old Presbyterian Meeting House).** Chapel erected in 1703 in St. Sepulchre Street, probably occupying the site of the ancient possessions of the Knights Hospitallers. It was enlarged in 1744, and rebuilt in 1801 (*History of Scarborough*, J. Brogden Baker). Minister (1726) Rev. William Whitaker, from Goudhurst, Kent, who retired through old age and infirmities in 1773, and died three years later, aged 81.

**Selby (Mill Gate Presbyterian Chapel).** 'Smith, educated at Kendal under Dr. Rotheram, and settled at Selby where his son is now minister'. (*Wilson*).

**Sheffield (Nether Chapel—Congregational).** Built, 1715. Separated (1714) from the Upper Chapel. Minister, Rev. — Smith (no date, but before 1748). 'He lost the respect of his people, and

died in great distress'. The other minister mentioned in the Return as 'Mr. Wordsworth', appears to be John Wadsworth (see *Attercliffe*).

**Sowerby Bridge.** For William Graham, see *Halifax, Warley*.

**Sutton-in-Ashfield.** The Return gives Samuel Wilson, preacher of the Presbyterians and Independents. The Wilson MS. mentions a Samuel Wilson (no place given) who was 'a very popular preacher among the Baptists and a Lime Street Lecturer', and who published several works from 1732-1753.

**Tadcaster.** An old Congregation existed here under the title 'Tadcaster and Clifford'. It is mentioned in 1715, but without being characterised as Congregationalist or Presbyterian. The Return mentions 'Mr. John Morton' as Presbyterian minister here and at Healaugh.

**Thornton (Bradford).** Minister (1711) Rev. Samuel Hulme. During his time, the Congregation is reported to have numbered 300. He had a salary of £40 a year, and 11 children. He died in 1756, aged 70.

**Wakefield (Westgate).** A Meeting House was opened in 1697. In 1715, the numbers were 400, of whom 40 were freeholders of the county. Minister, (no date, but between 1724 and 1761) Rev. John Aldred, educated at Frankland's Academy. Son of Jeremiah Aldred of Morton. For Timothy Aldred see *Batley*.

**Whitby (Flowergate).** In 1695, meetings were held in a private house in Bridge Street. About 1715, Mr. Leonard Wilde, a sail-maker, bought a plot of ground for a Chapel, and liberally endowed it. Minister (1729) Rev. Isaac Barker. Died 1756.

**Wibsey.** Minister, Rev. Samuel Dawson, one of the seven sons of Eli Dawson (see *Halifax*). Later, he conformed, kept a School, and was complimented by one of his pupils, Mr. Sholefield of Birmingham, in a Sermon preached at Cockermouth in 1769, as 'one of the Clergy of the Establishment from whose exertions a reformation in the Church might be expected.'

**Widmerpool.** Meeting House unused.

**Wilford.** Four Presbyterian and three Independent families.

**Woodkirk ('Woodchurch or Topcliffe'. *Miall*).** Congregational. The first meetings were held at Topcliffe Hall, then inhabited by Captain Pickering 'a person in whom Cromwell expressed great confidence'. James Naylor, the Quaker, was originally a member of this congregation. Minister (1736) Rev. Robert Hesketh (see *Crostone*).

**Wollaton and Cossall.** Six Presbyterian families.

**Woodborough.** Meeting House, but no meeting for seven years, and no dissenters in the parish.

**York (St. Saviour Gate).** Meeting House built in 1692. Minister (1731) Rev. John Hotham, educated at Jollie's Academy.



He had been a member of Mr. Jollie's congregation at Sheffield, and was probably a Congregationalist. He died on Jan. 4th, 1756. In 1732, Rev. John Brook was appointed co-pastor. Mr. Brook is spoken of in *The Gentleman's Magazine* as 'eminent'. He died in 1735, and was succeeded in that year by Rev. John Root, previously assistant to Mr. Whitter (see *Hull, Bowl-Alley Lane*). The Rev. Newcome Cappe (see *D.N.B.* iii. 933) followed Mr. Hotham in 1756. For his father Joseph Cappe see *Leeds*. Mr. Hotham's predecessor at York was Thomas Colton, M.D., whose assistant he had been, and who is referred to in the Return as a benefactor of a school at Elloughton (see *Elloughton*). Dr. Colton was educated at Leyden, and being a man of considerable property, he also endowed a hospital for eight poor women at York. (See Lawton's *Collectio*, p. 40, 'Colton's Hospital'.)

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**APPENDIX C.**  
**SOCIETY OF FRIENDS. METHODISTS AND MORAVIANS.**  
**BAPTISTS.**

*By P. C. Walker.*

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**Prefatory Note.**

In this Appendix are collected some Notes on the congregations of, respectively, the Society of Friends, the Baptists, the Methodists and the Moravians mentioned in these Returns. Of these various bodies, the Society of Friends was by far the largest; its members are noticed in 310 of the Returns and 107 of their Meeting Houses are reported. No other body of separatists from the English Church in the diocese in 1743 was so widely spread, for the Friends were strong both in the country parishes as well as in the towns. The Baptists were a small body; they are credited with 17 Chapels and they are mentioned in but 62 Returns.

The Moravians appear in four and the Methodists in 22 of the Returns, nearly all in one district of the country, viz., the part of the West Riding round Leeds and Bradford. In 1743 the Methodist Revival was only seven years old and the link between the Methodists and the Moravians was still close.

The authorities for the facts about the Society of Friends come almost entirely from the Mss. preserved at Friends' House, Euston Road, London and I record here my most grateful thanks to the Librarian for the generous hospitality of that splendid Library. I thank also my co-editor for much help in compiling this Prefatory Note, and Mr. H. R. Hodgson, of Bradford.

Among the Mss. of the Archbishop at Bishopthorpe is a collection of papers labelled "Quakers" and numbered in the Catalogue of Mss. as Bundle 26. These Mss. are the materials from which Dr. Hayter, then Archdeacon of York and Chaplain to Archbishop Blackburn wrote in 1741, the bulky pamphlet referred to in the Return from Allendale. It bears the title, *An Examination of a Book, lately printed by the Quakers; and by them distributed to the Members of both Houses of Parliament, Entitled, A Brief Account of many of the Prosecutions of the People called Quakers, etc., etc. In Defence of the Clergy of the Diocese of York.* London. Printed for John and Paul Knapton at the Crown in Ludgate-Street MDCCXLI.

I have found little material for illustrating the references in the Returns to the Baptists. The references to the Methodists can easily be filled out from the printed *Journals* of Mr. John Wesley. The Friends were at this time at issue with the authorities of the English Church over the question of tithes, which, from



scruples of conscience, Friends felt unable to pay. A Bill which attempted to bridge the difficulty was introduced into the House of Commons in 1736 and passed by large majorities but it was lost in the House of Lords owing to the strong opposition of the Bishops and of the Law Lords. Lord Hervey, sceptic and profligate though he was, took up the cause of the Friends with great zeal, wrote a pamphlet in their favour, spoke for the Bill in the House of Lords, and in his famous *Memoirs* left a very full account of the affair. According to him the King was furious at the loss of the Bill, spoke of the Bishops as 'a parcel of black, canting, hypocritical rascals'; and said 'the Government was likely to go on well if these scoundrels were to dictate to their prince how far he should or should not comply with the disposition of his Parliament; and to be giving themselves these impertinent airs in opposing everything that did not exactly suit with their silly opinions'.<sup>1</sup> But the Bill was lost and no attempt was made to re-introduce it. The exasperation died down, but at the time of these Returns the Friends and the newly arrived Methodists were both unpopular in Church circles. The three older bodies of Dissenters, viz., the Presbyterians, the Independents and the Baptists by accepting the *Regium Donum* in 1723 had seemed to acquiesce in the system which had become established<sup>2</sup>.

The notes on the various congregations recorded here illustrate the progress of the movements that were at work. The Friends suffered an extraordinarily rapid decline, Mr. J. S. Rowntree has described the history of the Society in Yorkshire from 1690 to 1760 as 'a period of civil toleration, growing earthly wealth, and lessening spiritual zeal'.<sup>3</sup> The General Baptists were deeply affected by the Arian movement, so that the old General Assembly of the General Baptists is now "a smaller inner circle" in the Unitarian body. The Particular Baptists were however quickened by the Methodist movement and remained orthodox.

The Returns give no suggestion of the power of the Methodist Revival which was to arrest the progress of Arianism, quicken into new life orthodox Dissent and become alike in the country and the towns more powerful than any other Dissenting body.

### Authorities.

**A. Society of Friends**—MSS. in the Library of Friends' House, London, especially: 1. *Quarterly Meeting of Yorkshire*

<sup>1</sup> *Memoirs etc.* by John, Lord Hervey. London, 1848, ii. 93-4.

<sup>2</sup> The *Regium Donum* which had begun in 1672, became after 1723, an annual grant of £500, later increased to £1,000. In 1784 it was raised to £2,200, in 1795 to £5,000, in 1863, when it was abolished, it had reached £39,746. For it see Dale, *History of English Congregationalism*, pp. 520-527. H. W. Clark, *History of English Nonconformity*, (1913) ii. 186 seq. Hore, *The Church in England, William III to Victoria* (1886), ii. 413, 414.

<sup>3</sup> *Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting of Friends*, 1650-1900, Leominster, n.d. p. 3. This monograph contains interesting details, e.g., the re-organization of the Monthly Meetings during this period.

*Burials*, cited below as Q.M.Y.B., and various *Testimonies* of Friends. 2. *Life of John Richardson*, 1757.

**B. Methodists and Moravians**—L. Tyerman, *The Oxford Methodists*, 1873. John Wesley, *Journals*. Southey, *Life of John Wesley*. Thomas Jackson, *Early Methodist Preachers*. W. H. Withrow, *Makers of Methodism*.

**C. Baptists**—W. T. Whitley, *A History of British Baptists*, 1923. *The Baptist Handbook*, 1928.

### Quakers.

(Dates are according to the Friends' reckoning of the months, *i.e.*, before 2nd September, 1752, First Month is March and so on).

**Allendale (Hexhamshire)**. Two Meeting Houses. They assemble twice a week, numbering 60 or 70. No Teacher named.

**Arncliffe**. John Tunstall, Teacher. Died, 30.4.1752. Residence, Starbotten; Meeting, Settle; buried at Starbotten (Q.M.Y.B.). For Mrs. Tunstall, see *Hubberholme*.

**Blythe**. A Meeting House.

**Brotton**. (See *Skelton-with-Brotton*).

**Carleton in Craven**. John Slater, Teacher. Died 21.12.1759, aged 87. Brother of William. William Slater, died 2.8.1759, aged 93. Residence, Lothersdale, ('Lothersden, now improperly called, Lothersdale'. Whitaker's *Craven*. p. 225) parish of Carleton; Meeting, Settle; buried at Lothersdale (Q.M.Y.B.). Mary Slater. Died 3.3.1762, widow of William, who was a minister for 60 years, and 'travelled much'. (*Public Friends Deceased*, 13.) She was a regular speaker at the Meetings of Friends.

**Crostone Chapel**. John Varley, Teacher. Died 14.5.1764. Residence, 'Shore in Stansfield in Halifax Vicaridge'; Meeting, Brighouse; buried at Shewbread (Q.M.Y.B.) *The Society of Friends in Bradford*, by H. R. Hodgson, p. 26, records the following: 1705, Allotment of Pews in the Parish Church, Bradford, 'Pew No. F. 19 on the Sun side—Quarter to John Varley, Thornton'.

**Clareborough**. Meeting House. Itinerant Teachers.

**Denby**. Teacher, Elihu Dickinson. 'Of Highflats in Yorkshire.' Died 22.12.1748, aged 70. (Q.M.Y.B.)

**Farnsfield**. Meeting House. Eight or ten meet once a fortnight; 'seldom any Teaching or Holding forth'.

**Garton (Holderness)**. Teachers (i) Joshua Pinder. Residence, Grimston Garth. Died, 23.3.1760, and was buried at Owstwick (Q.M.Y.B.) (ii) Thomas Smith, born at Groundhill House, parish of Aldborough. Died at Owstwick, 2.2.1749, aged 78, and buried in the Friends' Burial Ground there. 'An ornament to his Profession'. The Meeting House here is probably the same as that mentioned at Roos, Owstwick lying in both parishes.



**Giggleswick.** Three Licensed Meeting Houses; meetings every Sunday, Thursday and 1st Wednesday in the month. Numbers 50. Teacher, Thomas Carr, born at Longrigg near Settle in the parish of Giggleswick in 1670. He joined the Friends in 1690, and travelled in Scotland, Ireland and most parts of England. He died 17.3.1750, and was buried at Settle, after a ministry of 59 years. ('*Testimony of Thomas Carr*: signed at York Quarterly Meeting, 27th and 28th 1, 1751'). There is mention of the Conveyance of a parcel of Ground 12 yards square in Wharfe (par. Clapham) to Thomas Carr 'of Elderoth, near Settle' and five others, on 30th April, 1714. (*The Society of Friends in Bradford*, H. R. Hodgson, p. 78.) The three Meeting Houses mentioned in the Return would be at Giggleswick, Settle and Rathmell.

**Helmsley.** Teacher, Thomas Kendrey (or Kendrew), of Bilsdale. Died, 30.11.1744 (Q.M.Y.B.).

**Hinderwell.** Teacher, William Kidd. At the Quarter Sessions at Thirsk on 6th October, 1713, 'the house of Jos. Thornhill and Will. Kidd, both of Hinderwell, was set apart for the religious worship of the people called Quakers' (*North Riding Records*, vii, 235). William Kidd: died 22.9.1750. Residence, Roxby; Meeting, Gisbrough; buried at Hinderwell (Q.M.Y.B.).

**Gisbrough.** See *Hinderwell*.

**Hubberholme.** Teacher, Mrs. Tunstal. 'We hear that Mrs. Tunstall, an eminent Préacher among the People called Quakers, at Starboton in the Dales, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, has lately been reconciled to the Church of England, and baptized.' (From a *News Cutting*, 00.10., at Friends' House, 1753). For John Tunstall, her husband, see *Arncliffe*, in which parish Hubberholme lies.

**Hull (Holy Trinity).** The Friends' Meeting House was in Lowgate.

**Keighley.** Teacher, Thomas Blakey, 'of Kighley'. He died, 28.6.1759, aged 'about 87', and was buried at Keighley.

**Kildwick (Craven).** For David Hall see *Skipton*.

**Kirk Burton.** For Elihu Dickinson, see *Denby*.

**Kirkby Moorside.** For John Richardson, see *Lastingham*.

**Kirkby Sigston.** For Nicholas Robinson, see *West Rounton*.

**Lastingham.** Teacher, John Richardson, of Lastingham. He was son of William Richardson of North Cave, who was buried at the Friends' Burial Place at Hotham in 1679, John being then 13 years of age. Later, his step-father turned him out of doors, and the lad apprenticed himself to a weaver, William Allon, at South Cliffe, who treated him as his own son. Later, he made two voyages to America, 1700 and 1731. In 1722, he visited Ireland, also traversing during his life, a great portion of England, Wales and South Scotland. He was twice married, first to Priscilla, daughter of

James Canaby, and secondly to Anne Robinson, a great Quaker name in East Yorkshire at this date. He obtained a small property at Hutton in the Hole, near Lastingham, where he resided in after life and where he died on April 2nd, 1753, aged 87. He was buried at the Friends' Burial Ground at Kirkby Moorside. (See *Life of John Richardson*, 1757; and *Some East Yorkshire Worthies*, William Richardson, p. 39.)

**Leverton, South.** A Meeting House. Only used for Burials.

**Masham.** Meeting House. Also a Meeting at Snape. Teachers, (i) Christopher Pinkney, of Ripon. He died, 6.3.1757, and was buried at Low Ellington. Meeting, Richmond. (ii) Jacob Patrick of Sutton, Ripon. He died, 1.4.1755 age 'about 80'. Residence, Hardcastle Garth, parish of Kirkby Malzeard. Meeting, Knaresborough. Buried at Dacre (Q.M.Y.B.)

**Mansfield.** A Meeting House.

**Nottingham (S. Nicholas).** A Meeting House.

**Pickering.** Teacher, Robert Pearson. He travelled through Durham, Northumberland and Cumberland, though 'lameness rendered travelling painful'. He ministered for 69 years, and died 30.3.1748, aged 'about 85'. Residence, Pickering. (For the family of Pearsons in this district, see *Unhistoric Acts*, George Baker, 1906, p. 46.)

**Rawcliffe.** A Meeting House.

**Rawden Chapel.** Teacher, John Grimshaw. He died, 29.6.1744, aged 80, and was buried in the Friends' Burial Ground at Rawden. 'He was zealously concerned for about 20 years to exhort Friends in a Brief manner in their Meetings.' (*Testimony of John Grimshaw of Calverly*.)

**Rawmarsh.** A Meeting House alleged to be licensed.

**Ripponden Chapel.** Teacher, Elkanah Whitley. He died, 8.12.1753, aged about 80. Residence, Soyland in the parish of Halifax. Meeting, Brighouse; buried at Clayfield (Q.M.Y.B.).

**Roos.** (See *Garton in Holderness*.)

**Rounton, West.** Teacher, Nicholas Robinson of West Rounton. Died, 21.1.1746-7. Buried at Rounton (see *Kirkby Sigston*).

**Royston.** A Meeting House.

**Ruddington.** A Meeting House; teacher, Walter Newman. They meet once in 6 weeks, 6 in number.

**Scarborough.** The Friends here became a Congregation in 1651, the year of George Fox's first visit to the town. The first Meeting House was in Low Conduit Street, and the next in Carr Street, and (1801) in St. Sepulchre Gate. Isaac Sollitt, teacher, died 22.11.1745-6, aged 53, his wife Sarah predeceasing him in 1740. (See *History of Scarborough*, J. Brogden Baker, p. 187.)



**Scarle, South.** A Meeting House. No Quaker in the parish.

**Scalby (Scawby).** A Meeting House. Numbers diminished.

**Sheffield.** A Meeting House.

**Skelton-in-Cleveland (Skelton with Brotton).** Teacher, Philip Hesleton. Died 23.1.1747. Residence, Liverton; Meeting, Guisborough; buried at Moorsome. Another Philip Heslerton died 30.6.1770; 'Residence, Ugthorpe, parish of Routh' (Lythe is meant), (Q.M.Y.B.). A 'Hasleton of Moorsome, aged about 84 (no date), a minister about 60 years' is mentioned in a MS. *Public Friends Deceased*, 13.

**Skipsea.** A Meeting House, disused.

**Skipton.** Teacher, David Hall, of Skipton. (See also *Kildwick, Craven*). Born there, 22.10.1683. Had smallpox at the age of 11; at 15, he went to Skipton Free School. His father opened a School for boarders. In 1711, David 'had a concern to go through the streets of Skipton and Keighley on the Market Days to warn the people to repentance'. He visited most parts of England; also Scotland and Ireland. He died 16.9.1756 aged 73, after a ministry of 45 years. He left a short MS. Journal. (See *Testimony of Friends*, 1760 p. 328).

**Sutton-on-Forest.** A Meeting House.

**Thirsk.** Teacher, William Brown. Born at Camston (? Ganton) in the East Riding. Travelled in the North, and in Scotland. He died, 15.5.1755, aged 'about 74' and was buried in the Friends' Burial Ground at Thirsk, after a ministry of 49 years. 'He painfully laboured under a severe asthmatick disorder for many years..... of a chearful disposition; honest and sincere'. (*Testimony of Friends*, 1760, p. 294).

**Thorne.** Teacher, John Fisher, of Thorne, died 16.6.1761 (Q.M.Y.B.).

**Topcliffe.** Two Private houses licensed.

**Walesby (Wailsby).** A Meeting House, said to be licensed. Often no speaker.

**Warmsworth.** A Meeting House.

**Wath.** A Meeting House. Meeting once in two months; small numbers.

**Welwick.** A Meeting House, and Silent Meeting on Sundays and Fridays.

**Weston (Old Ainsty).** A Meeting House.

**Whitby.** A Meeting House. Meetings on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

### Methodists and Moravians.

**Aberford.** Benjamin Ingham, (1712-1772) son of William Ingham, of Dewsbury. Matriculated at Queen's Coll., Oxford, 13th Nov. 1730, aged 18, B.A., 1734. He married Lady Margaret Hastings in 1741, who converted her sister-in-law, the Countess of Huntingdon. After leaving Oxford, he instituted Meetings at home. Preached in London. Accompanied the Wesleys to Georgia (1735) and afterwards visited, with John Wesley, the Moravian Settlement at Herrnhutt. On his return, he began to preach in Leeds, Wakefield and Halifax. Other places mentioned in connection with him are:—Mirfield, Gomersal, Cleckheaton, Great Horton, Eccleshill, Baildon, Holbeck, Haworth, Dent, York, &c. He was in intimate communion with the Moravians at Pudsey. In September, 1749, Whitefield toured Yorkshire with Ingham and Batty (see *Giggleswick*). He died in 1772. (See *Halifax, Bingley, and Birstall*). See his *Life* in *D.N.B.* x. 434.

**Armley.** Richard Musgrave held Meetings 'at his house'.

**Bingley.** (i) John Ockerhausen, 'a Moravian elder'; (ii) 'Rankey' in the text, is probably Thomas Rankin. Born at Dunbar, no date. He was appointed to the Sheffield Circuit in 1762. Died, May 17th, 1810.

**Birstall.** Preachers:—John and Charles Wesley; Benjamin Ingham (see *Aberford*), and John Nelson. John Nelson, the Yorkshire mason was born at Birstall, Oct., 1707. He died in 1774. He was converted in London (1739) by John Wesley, and preached at Birstall. At Adwalton, he was seized and impressed as a soldier; and, to prevent his escape, was imprisoned in a filthy dungeon at Bradford, from which he was released by Lady Huntingdon's influence. See for his *Life* *D.N.B.* xiv. 209.

**Fishlake.** Preacher:—David Taylor. Wesley's *Journal*, 14th June, 1742 'an instrument of good to many souls'; Tuesday, 22nd Nov., 1743. 'Poor David Taylor veered about to the old point. German stillness. A poor sinner ever since'. (See *Sykehouse*).

**Giggleswick.** Preacher:—'Laurance Batty, A.B., in the Diocese of Chester and not in Holy Orders'. Matr. St. Cath. Coll., Cambr. 1738, B.A. 1741. (See *Horton*).

**Halifax.** Preacher:—August Gottlieb Spangenberg. 'Left the Moravians'. (See Southey's *Life of Wesley*).

**Horton-in-Ribblesdale.** For Laurance Batty, see *Giggleswick*.

**Kirkby-in-Ashfield.** Meeting at the house of William Burroughs. Speaker, Stephen Dixon.

**Mirfield.** For John Ockerhausen, see *Bingley*.

**Sykehouse.** For David Taylor, see *Fishlake*.



**Baptists.**

(The dates after the name of the place are those of the earliest Chapels, from the *Baptist Handbook*, 1928).

**Barnoldswick** (1661).

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**Bishop Burton.** For Thomas Palmer, see *Hull, S. Mary's*.

**Blythe.** A Meeting House.

**Bradford.** Minister, Henry Clapham.

**Bridlington** (1698). Minister, Richard Machin.

**Collingham** (1670). Minister, '— Lomax, an ignorant, illiterate flaxdresser'.

**Cross Stone (Crostone).** Minister, Henry Lord.

**Gamston.** A Meeting House; meetings twice on Sunday and once on Wednesday evening. Minister, Joseph Jeffreys, a local farmer.

**Gildersome** (1707).

**Guiseley.** Minister, John Wilson (see *Rawden Chapel*).

**Heptonstall.** A Meeting House; meeting, every second Sunday; numbers 30. Ministers:—(i) David "Crosley" *vere* Crosby. One of the most popular preachers among the Calvinist Baptists, and instrumental in raising 3 or 4 churches in Lancashire and Yorkshire. Was acquainted with John Bunyan. In his old age, he kept a School. He was the largest man in the County, his weight for 20 years averaging 20 stone. He died at Goodshaw, in Rossendale, Lancashire in 1744, aged 75. 'Lancashire and Yorkshire were planted not from Manchester or Warrington or Liverpool, but from Heptonstall. William Mitchell began preaching about 1684, and after prison in both counties settled down in earnest under the Indulgence of 1687. He soon called to his help a cousin, David Crosley (Crosly) . . . . . (who) was baptized in August, 1692, by John Eckels, the clothier-pastor of Bromsgrove, and next month was formally called by that church to the ministry . . . by 1696, there was an Association which soon united Tottlebank in Furness, Bacup in Rossendale, Rawden and Sutton in Airedale, Barnoldswick, Heptonstall in Calderdale. All the leaders in this district who can be identified were farmers, masons, weavers; not one had any tincture of higher education . . . . . The sturdy independence of Yorkshire and Lancashire came out in an emphatic repudiation of the claims of Crosley to superintend, and notice to him that he must regard himself as a member of one church alone, and must act under the direction of that church'. (Whitley, *History of British Baptists*, pp. 179-180). For David Crosly, see also *Kildwick (Craven)*. His *Life* is in *D.N.B.* v. 214.

**Huddersfield (Salendine Nook).** 1743. 'From Heptonstall, the waters-head of all the district, there arose a group of churches round Salendine Nook' (*History of British Baptists*).

**Hull (S. Mary's).** In 1736, the Baptists fitted up a place in Manor-alley, Lowgate, called at that time King Henry the Eighth's Tower. First numbers, 18. The place was later used by the first Methodists. A new Meeting House was erected (1757) in Salterhouse Lane, called Hull Boulevard. (Tickell, p. 820-1). Mr. Thomas Palmer (c. 1738) of Broughton in Cumberland, was the second minister, remaining there for 14 years. 'He returned to his native place on account of some family circumstances', but afforded occasional assistance until the arrival of the new pastor in 1752. (See *Bishop Burton*).

**Kildwick (Craven).** For David Crosly see *Heptonstall*. William Jackson is mentioned as a second Teacher.

**Leake, East (1700).**

**Misterton.** A Meeting House endowed with £7 per annum. Meeting, twice every other Sunday, and once on Thursday. 'Call themselves General Baptists'. Teacher, Joseph Machin.

**Nottingham (S. Mary's).** Teacher, '— Morley, a Pensioner of Chelsea Hospital'.

**Nottingham (S. Nicholas).** George Street Chapel, 1740. Meeting every Sunday to the number of 30 or 40. The Pastor, 'George Eaton was probably a son of Dr. Joseph Eaton, who seems to have combined the ministry with medicine. He was for a time in Nottingham, and removed to Colchester, afterwards settling in London as a physician. He evidently was connected with the Presbyterians, for he took part in a Presbyterian ordination at Nottingham on April 6th, 1703'. (Kindly contributed by Mr. J. C. Warren).

**Rawdon (1715).** Licensed Meeting House. Pastor, John Wilson. 'Yet from another village, Rawden, there hived off swarms who formed churches at Gildersome, Bradford, Shipley, Farsley, Bramley, Leeds and Halifax'. (*History of British Baptists*, p. 227).

**Retford (1692).**

**Sutton Bonington (1704).**

**Sutton in Craven (1741).**

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